ROME (R) — Italy told Israel Wednesday that it should show the same sort of imagination about solving the Patestinian problem as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had done to cod his dispute with Iran. "Israel President Saddam Hussein had done to cod his dispute with Iran." Israel must offer the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) a way our. One must show as much imagination as Iraq is displaying on the diplomatic front," Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis said after talks with his Israeli counterpart. David Levy. "Saddam Hussein's offer 10 Iran betrays his weakness at the same time as it shows his willingness to move forward. Israel must show the same flexibility," de Michelis said. De Michelis current president of the European Community (EC) council of ministers, said Italy regarded the PLO's support for ther traqi takeover of Kuwait as a serious mistake hamful to the interests of the Palestinian people. He said Italy would urge the PLO to take a more independent stand, but said Italy would urge the PLO to take a more independent stand, but argued that the West had to understand why many Arabs and Palestinians had sympathy for an Iraqi leader they saw as the champion of their cause. "I told the Israeli minister that we must not hand Saddam Hussein cards that only serve to increase his influence in the Arab World and particularly that ways must be found of unblocking the Palestinian situation," be told a news conference.

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Gulf region, the Jordan Times will publish a special edition on Friday for the third consecu-

#### Lawzi urges Iran to accept Iraql offer

AMMAN (R) - The Jordanian Parliament urged Iran Wednes-day to accept Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's peace proposal. 'We urge you and the Iranian people to welcome this initiative because by returning relations hetween the two states to normal you can confront the challenges facing the Arab and Muslim na-tion," Upper House Speaker Upper House Speaker Ahmad Al Lawzi said in a cable to Iranian leader Alt Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani. In a separate cable to Saddam, Lawzi said: "We hope this plan will he the cornerstone in normalising the historie ties between the two countries which are facing evil and danger from potential foreign

#### Air.force plane crashes, pilot killed

AMMAN (J.T.) --- A Royal Jordanian Air Force plane crashed and its pilot was killed on a routine training flight; the Jordan News Agency, Petra, said Wednesday. The agency, quoting an official of the Armed Forces, said the crash Tuesday -was caused by a technical failure. It did not say where it took place. It identified the pilot as Hussein Abdul Salam Suleiman Al Kha-

#### Stewardesses in Kuwait 'not raped'

LONDON (AP) - Two British stewardesses reported to have been raped by Iraqi soldiers in Kuwait told British diplomats they had not been attacked and were safe and well, the Foreign Office said Wednesday. It launched an investigation after Nawal Bel Hadi, a Tunisian stewardess for Kuwaiti Airlines, said she saw the two British stewardesses and three other foreign women brutally attacked in the hostel where they were staying in Kuwait City. British diplomats spoke to the stewardesses, who were not identified, and had informed their. families here that they were not harmed, the Foreign Office said. "They told us they had not been raped or assaulted and that they: are safe and well," said a Foreign

#### Qadhafi cails for U.N. meeting

Office spokesman.

NICOSIA (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi has called for a Security Council meeting to dsicuss the buildup of foreign foreces in the Gulf. The Libyan news agency JANA Wednesday quoted him as saying any foreign forces in the region not under the flag and command of the U.N. "are regarded as troops of colonialist invasion and should be

#### Bangladesh to join Gulfforces

DHAKA (AP) - Bangiadeshi troops will join multinational forces in Saudi Arabia, to defend the kingdom, officials said Wednesday. A Foreign Office official said the decision to send a token military contingent to Saudi Arabia was taken by President Hussein Mohammad Ershad after a meeting with Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al Thunian, a special envoy of Saudi King Fahd.

#### Egypt bars Iraqi ship from Suez

CAIRO (AP) — The Suez Canal Authority has refused passage of an Iraqi ship carrying food because it would not pay \$12,000 in transit fees, the Middle East News Agency (MENA) said Wednesday. An officer at the anthority's Port Said office confirmed the "Zein Al Qaws" had been denied passage because it refused to pay its transit fees but would give no further details. MENA said that both the Iraqi ship and its agent in Port Said refused to pay the transit fees.

### AMMAN THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 1990, MUHARRAM 25, 1411

# Saddam makes

IRAQI PRESIDENT Saddam Hussein Wednesday made peace with Iran, ending a bitter protrateted conflict and freeing Iraq's one-million-strong army and Iran predicted a new era of "lasting

In a dramatic offer, Saddam Hussein agreed to all Iranian conditions for a Gulf war peace treaty in a message he sent to Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsaniani.

"Dear Brother - Rafsanjani ... everything you wanted... has been realised," said the message carried by Iraqi media.

Saddam said be would start pulling troops out of Iran Friday, enabling him to consolidate Iraq's forces to "confront evildoers" the Western and Arab armies building up in the Gulf in re-

The offer was also seen as a way Baghdad could open a lifeline for vital commodities began to bite.

On the streets of Tehran, residents elcomed the news but without the spontaneons celebrations which crupted following Iran's acceptance of a U.N.-sponsored ceasefire in July

"Everyone in the office is happy because in the past week there was a general fear of a renewed Iraqi attack," one engineer said.

Speaking on Tehran Radio, Fore-

ign Ministry spokesman Morteza Sar-

"We are happy that Iraq finally accepted the principled views of the Islamic Republic of Iran... which will bring back lasting and just peace... to the two countries and the region." Saddam's letter to Rafsanjani said Iraq was accepting Tehran's terms for

- A withdrawal of Iragi troops from Iranian territory, to start on - Acceptance of the 1975 Algiers treaty defining the border between

The Iranian news agency IRNA quoted a National Security Council

the two countries.

Gulf total 60,000

spokesman as saying Iraqi diplomats were to deliver Saddam's letter io Tehran later Wednesday.

Reconciliation between Iran and Iraq would not only eliminate an adversary on Saddam's eastern border but also would free troops from Iraq-beld Iranian territory at a time of

military buildup in Saudi Arabia.

Iran has condemned Iraq's takeover of Kuwaii but also denounced the regional deployment of Western forces led by the United States. Tehran Radio quoted Parliament Speaker Mehdi Karrubi as saying Tuesday that a proposed visit by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz could be

undertaken only after settlement of the dispute over the 1975 treaty. In his message, Saddam did not specify the size of territory his troops will evacuate. Iran claims frag still holds 2,000 square kilometres, occupied in the final weeks of the Gulf

war. But the United Nations says the

area is half that size. "Our withdrawal... will begin on Friday while the prisoner release also begins then. We will be the ones to take the initiative in this (prisoner release) respect," said Saddam's mes-

sage to Rafsanjani. His letter disclosed for the first

between Tehran and Baghdad amid the escalating Gutf crisis.

Saddam said be had received a

letter from Rafsanjani on Aug. 8, adding that he had decided to "accept your suggestion" to consider the 1975 border demarcation treaty as part of a settlement based on Resolution 598. Saddam had rejected the 1975 trea-

ty as a basis for a land demarcation agreement in peace talks after the ceasefire.

He has been demanding full sovereignty over the Sbatt Al Arab waterway, which was divided be-tween the two countries by the 1975 treaty. Shatt Al Arab, a confluence of the Tigris and Euphrates, is Iraq's key outlet to the Gulf.

Io Geneva, the International Committee of the Red Cross said Iraq plans to repatriate a first batch of 2,000 Iranian prisoners of war Friday to start an exchange proposed as par of the peace initiative announced by

ICRC spokeswoman Martin Haem-meril said Wednesday night the all-Swiss humanitarian agency has been asked by Iranian authorities to supervise the transfer. She said the ICRC

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### Envoy briefs Regent on French position

gent, and briefed bim on France's

tour of the Middle East, to relay backing His Majesty King Husnian stand, according to the Jordan News Agency, Petra.

and for solving the other conflicts in the region, Petra said.

Prince Hassan emphasised the need for giving the Arabs a chance to reach a peaceful solution to the problem through diplomatie means, the agency

covered the latest developments

France's stand with regard to the tions on this issue, Petra said. Lawzi and Arar told the envoy that the Jordanian people were

French President François Mit- sein's efforts to find a peaceful terrand's pobcies, discussed with solution for the problem and the Regent the latest develop-ments in tile region, and Prince Hassan briefed him on the Jorda-Gulf area. The French envoy also met with Information Minister Ibra-

him Izzeddin to discuss the crisis. The minister said King Hussein's current visit to the United States can be considered as an initiative towards resolving the Gulf crisis by peaceful means. . Envoys of Mitterrand also vi-

sited Syria, Egypt, Yemen and Turkey after meetings in Saudi Arabia and Tunisia Tuesday. Political analysts said the French president, whose stance on the Arab-Israeli conflict and other reigonal issues has won him

### King meets Bush today

Combined agency dispatches

HIS MAJESTY King Hussein meets U.S. President George Bush Thursday for talks on the Gulf crisis and possibilities of a diplomatic solution to the prob-

The King, who arrived in Washington Wednesday accompanied by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Political Advisor Adnan Abu Odeh and Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qasem, was to meet with U.S. National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft and spend the night in the U.S. capital before meeting Bush at the vacation home in Kennebunk-

port, Maine, Thursday. His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan said in Amman the King was working to "give peace

and a dialogue a chance." According to American televi-

confirmed by Jordanian sources, the King, who visited Baghdad Monday for talks with Saddam Hussein before arranging the meeting with Bush, is carrying an Iraqi proposal aimed at averting war in the Gulf over Baghdad's takeover of Kuwait and the subsequent American-led foreign and Arab troop build-up in Saudi

Before leaving for Washington Tuesday evening, the King received a message from Saddam, Jordan Television said. But the contents were not disclosed.

According to CBS news, which quoted Jordanian sources, the message stated Iraq's willingness to attend an international conference to discuss withdrawing Iraqi troops from Kuwait if Bush froze all further troop deployment in and around the Gulf.

Prior to his departure, the King contacted several Arab leaders,

ia, Tunisia, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) — all of whom have either opposed, abstained or voiced reservations over an Arab summit resolution condemning Iraq's take-over of Iraq and endorsing Saudi Arabia's move to invite American troops into its territory with the ostensible purposes of defending it against an Iraqi inva-

Bush has held out little hope of a swift compromise to break the Gulf deadlock. When asked if there was "any hope at all" for a diplomatic solution, Bush said

"I don't see it right nw, but as the sanctions begin to take effect — it's going to take a while — I would hope there would be a diplomatic solution to this crisis.' Another key topic expected to

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### Regent: King's mission crucial, Iraq-Iran peace an achievement

Combined agency dispatches

AMMAN — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan said Wednesday His Majesty King Hussein's current mission to the U.S. comes at a critical moment, for the situation in the Gulf and that Jordan was pursuing a diplomatic solution to the problem.

The Crown Prince, addressing a news conference held at Jordan Television and in a separate inlerview with ABC television, also said he could not divulge the contents of a proposal that the King was carrying with him to his meeting with the U.S. president

Crown Prince Hassan also said the attempt to intimidate Iraq squeezing its economy would not he asked. be effective.

Jordan would continue to seek a san replied:
"diplomatic breakthrough to the "The discussion at the head of state "diplomatic breakthrough to the hardships" in the Gulf region.
"We are very well aware that Iraqis

will not back down. We have said time and again that intimidation will not work," Prince Hassan told the Sanctions and embargos have not

worked in the past," he added, Prince Hassan reiterated Jordanian concern that the sanctions will "severely harm" the Jordanian economy and he affirmed that Jordan will latitude it might have in imposing the sanctions.

He said that as a result of frozen Iraqi and Kuwalti assets worldwide, Jordan "Is starting to feel the pinch" and noted that the country was losing at least \$3 million daily because of frozen Gulf banking transactions."

Prince Hassan said Jordan was in a unique position of being able to talk to both the United States and Iraq over the crisis and the King was working "lo give peace and dialogue a chance."

trillion to kill and maim over a million people. How many people will be killed and maimed by another Middle East war and how much will it cost?"

"The (Iran-Iraq) Gulf war cost \$1

e effective.

Asked whether King Hussein
He told foreign journalists that would ask Bush for aid, Prince Has-

level between the players directly involved is more over the political situation in region and how we can contain the possibility of conflict... not to talk about finance or assist-

Following are major questions and

answers from the Crown Prince's

interview with ABC television: Crown Prince: President Bush said in his press conference yesterday that the meeting (between the King and consult with the U.N. regarding the Bush) does not have an agenda but we assume that the meeting will basically address the question of — is either in addressing the immediacy of the military action or the invasion of Kuwait and subsequent withdrawal or particularly complicated issue or has the development of massive military intervention in the region with all the tension that entails to foreclose that positively.

Q: Is there a message from Saddam Hussein being brought by your brother to the president?

A: I don't think that His Majesty would travelling at this crucial mo-ment if effectively the Iraqi leadapproach to the future. We have heard the Iraqi leadership characterised as being dangerous that 1 think everyone in the region accepts. But, at the same time, I think that they see the danger of excluding a rational approach and you heard today the Iraqi initiative vis-a-vis Iran, which I think shows a major achievement as your correspondent in Bagh-

dad was saying a few minutes ago. (Continued on page 5)

# of Gulf build-up

papers expressed growing con- said Baghdad bas barred more cern over a build-up of forces in the Middle East Wednesday and urged Western countries to renew diplomatie efforts for a settle-The Communist Party news-

paper Pravda said diplomacy, not a naval buildup, was the best approach to solving the Gulf cri-Kuwait.

the conflict through negotiations used to the fullest extent," Pravda said. "Diplomatic channels have not been exhausted."

Soviet television showed U.S. forces arriving in Saudi Arabia and setting up defensive bases. A commentary in the Defence Ministry daily Krasnaya Zvezda issued a grave warning against any armed action.

events in the Gulf will find themselves in the flames of the Middle buildup in the Gulf could result in

The Soviet Union has conde-

force outside the auspices of the United Nations. Iraq was the Soviet Union's closest Middle Eastern ally over the last 30 years, linked by a 1972 friendship and cooperation treaty. But Moscow cut its arms

are now standing aside from Pravda also said the U.S. naval

mned Iraq's takeover of Kuwait and called for joint diplomatic action to end the occupation. But it has resisted use of military

supplies shortly after the takeover of Kuwait and began preparations to withdraw its personnel

than 5,000 Soviet citizens from

leaving Iraq.
Foreign Ministry spokesman
Ynri Gremitskikh said Iraqi anthorities bad given permission for the overland evacuation of Soviet women, children and invalids but refused to allow Soviet men to Gremitskikh said that those

being refused permission to leave were not hostages but he admitted Moscow now faced the same problem as many other Western countries, whose nationals also cannot leave.

"I would not want to use the word hostages. We hope Iraq does not consider our citizens as hostages and we do not want to see them as hostages," he said.

"Iraq has given no reason. We are in the same position as other countries," he said.

### Envoy in Mideast

dle East specialist, set out Tues-day and was expected to meet the leaders of Syria, Jordan, Egypt and several other Arab countries, the spokesman said.

A visit to Baghdad "had not been ruled out," Gremitskikh

cow might be prepared to mediate in the crisis.

arms supplier until Moscow announced a cut-off after the takeover of Kuwait, has called on Arab states to settle the crisis themselves, with no outside intervention except under the au-

### Italy wants U.N. to visit

ROME (R) — Italy said Wednesday it will ask U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to send an envoy to Iraq to check on thousands of foreigners stranded there after Baghdad's take-over of Kuwait.

Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis recalled at a news conference that Irag's ambassador to the United Nations had stated that foreigners were perfectly free to leave his country.

"This is patently false," de Michelis said. He said Italy, current president of the 12-nation European Com-

munity (EC), was to put the request to the U.N. later Wednesday.

The appeal to the United Nations was part of new diplomatic

moves announced by Italy earlier Wednesday aimed at securing the departure of EC nationals and other foreigners from Kuwait and Iraq.

A Foreign Ministry statement said Italy would be acting on behalf of the EC "and other interested countries" following a meeting of community diplomats in Brussels Tuesday.

Iraq'a ambassador to Rome, Mohammad Said Kadim Al Sahaf, was summoned Wednesday and informed of Italy's plans. It said the steps were aimed at

protecting (EC) nationals and other foreigners... to ensure their total freedom of movement within both (Iraq and Kuwait) and the

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### peace with Iran Combined agency dispatches through Iran as U.N. sanctions

and just peace."

sponse to his takeover of Kuwait.

U.S. troops in

The U.S. military buildup in the route to the region (see page 2). Gulf region already totals nearly 60,000 ground troops, sailors and airmen, including about 25,000 in Saudi Arabia, Defence Depart-ment officials said Wednesday.

They said at least another 50,000 American marines and troops were being flown or shipped to Saudi Arabia in the comdays and weeks to help deter 'any Iraqi attack" against that country. The defence officials, who,

asked not to be identified, spoke as the 15,000-strong 101st Airborne Division left Fort Campbell, Kentucky, in long truck convoys Wednesday for Jacksonville, Florida.

From there, the helicopters

assault troops will be shipped or flown to Saudi Arabia. The Pentagon has refused officially to discuss troop totals in a U.S. buildup ordered by President George Bush that now has 150 air force fighters and groundattack planes in Saudi Arabia and over 40 warships, including

WASHINGTON (Agencies) - four aircraft carriers, in or en "I expect you'll see at least 100,000 personnel in or near there (Saudi Arabia). before another month is gone, including the navy," said one of the de-

fence officials. While that would be fewer than army airborne and infantry the estimated 150,000 Iraqi troops occupying Kuwait next door to Saudi Arabia, defence analysts have noted that the United States now had overwhelming air power in the region.

President George Bush said

> American way of life are at stake in the Gulf confrontation. Defending his decision to send thousands of combat troops to secure control over oil fields, Bush denounced Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's "ruinous policies of war," and added, "We are striking a blow for the principle that might does not make right."

Wednesday that freedom and the

speech at the U.S. Defence De-(Continued on page 5)

Bush made his comments in a

### AMMAN (J.T.) — A French in the Gulf and ways to find a presidential envoy Wednesday peaceful solution as well as met with His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Re- U.N. Security Council resolu-

stand vis-a-vis the Gulf crisis. Francois Poncet, who is on a

The Regent expressed Jordan's readiness to work towards a political solution or the Gulf crisis

Poncet also held separate talks with the speakers of the Upper and Lower Houses of Parliament Ahmad Al Lawzi and Snleiman Arar respectively. Discussions

respect in Arab capitals, was

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### **Iraq-Iran move brings new factors** into play on Gulf crisis chessboard

By P.V. Vivekanand Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN - The dramatic Iraqi announcement of Baghdad's acceptance of the key demands of Iran to settle their conflict and the speed with which Tehran welcomed the move have brought a totally new set of rules into play on the Middle East chessboard, and it could have a major bearing on the Iragi-American confrontation over Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. according to political analysts

and observers. "It was a master stroke." said a veteran Arab diplomat. "On the one hand, (Iraqi president) Saddam (Hussein) has removed a major threat from his rear and on the other he has shuffled the political cards in such a way that Western policy makers appear to have been taken by surprise," the diplo-mat said. "Now they face the prospect of having to reckon with a de facto alliance of not only two major oil-producing countries but also of the two

biggest powers in the Gulf."
Dr. Jawad Al Anani, a politico-economic analyst, said Iraq has set an example in line with its initiative which calls for an end to all problems of occupation in the Middle East. including the Kuwaiti crisis." "Saddam Hussein has shown

the world that the Iraq-Iran dispute was a regional dispute, and it is now settled," he said. "It is a signal to the world that attention should now he focused on other regional disputes, including the Knwaiti

problem and the wider Palestinian problem." Political science professor Dr. Kamel Abu Jaher described the Iraqi-Iranian rapprochement as an "unprecedented and dramatic turn in the course of events in the

The Iraqi annonncement that Baghdad was accepting the 1975 Algiers pact, which sets the Iranian-Iraqi border in the middle of the Satt Al Arab. waterway, was withdrawing Iraq's forces from Iranian territory captured in the last few days of the war in August 1988 and was ready to exchange prisoners of war, appeared to have surprised many in Jordan at a time when fears are running high of a military confrontation between Iraq and American-led foreign and Arab forces deployed in Saudi

"Saddam has freed his · one-

million-strong army from its

preoccupation with the Ira-

mians, and this shifts the pre-

sent situation in the Gulf in

favour of Iraq," Dr. Abu Jaber

told the Jordan Times.

Dr. Abu Jaber does not rule out the possibility that Iran might react violently to any American or Western move to "dominate" Iraq. "I believe that Iran would bave a vital interest in ensuring the security and stability of Iraq," he

Notwithstanding the pronounced Iranian gestures towards improved relations with the West after the death of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini last year, "the Iranians are not likely to welcome the 'Great Satan' (the U.S.) into their backyard," according to Abu

Dr. Mustafa Hamarneh, another political scientist, disagreed. "Iranians are emotionally opposed to imperialism, but in an objective sense I do not think that sentiment is that strong where Iran's national interests are concerned." Dr. Hamarneh is critical of

the Iraqi move. "After all, if

Saddam Hussein had to accept

the 1975 Algiers agreement

what then was the purpose of

the war in which half a million Iraqis died? Dr. Musa Keilani has an easy explanation. "It was a foregone conclusion that Saddam had to accept the Iranian demands sooner or later, particularly Tehran's insistence on Iraqi adherence to the 1975 border pact," he said. "By announcing his acceptance of the Iranian demands, Saddam has conceded a partial setback but he has chosen the most opportune time to do that without raising much of a hue and cry among the Iraqi masses since his popularity is at its highest ever at this point in At the same time, added Dr.

that the possibility of an Iranian stab in the back has been According to Dr. Keilani, the Iranian acceptance of the Iraqi gesture, after two years of stalled negotiations following their ceasefire in August

1988, has also removed fears of

a "Turkish-Iranian-Israeli

triangle" against Baghdad.

Keilani, a former ambassador,

the Iraqi leader "has ensured

"Israel has been sending out feelers to Iran for months now," he said. Rami Khouri, a veteran journalist and political analyst, believes that the Iraqi move is a "major demonstration of real politic" which could have significant "political impact on the

Furthermore, Khouri said, "it will have far-reaching

present Gulf crisis in the short

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# Moscow warns

MOSCOW (R) - Soviet newsment with Iraq.

sis after Iraq's takeover of "The opportunities for tackling and the United Nations were not

"Even those countries which

East," Krasnaya Zvezda said. a long-term American presence in the region.

Envoy Mikhail Sytenko, a Mid-

It was the first sign that Mos-

The Soviet Union, Iraq's main

spices of the United Nations.

# **Baghdad**

### Palestinians strike against **U.S. troops on Arab land**

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) . — Palestinians in the Israelioccupied West Bank and Gaza Strip stayed at home Wednesday in protest against the deployment of U.S. forces in the Middle East.

Palestinians planning to go to Saudi Arabia said they were barred from the kingdom, apparently in retaliation for opposing the Saudi alignment with the Americans in the Gulf crisis.

Transportation ground to a halt and stores in all West Bank and Gaza Strip cities and towns were shuttered for a strike called by the Muslim fundamentalist Hamas movement.

"We call for a general strike to protest the American crusader occupation of Muslims' land," a Hamas leaflet said of the U.S.-led Western military buildup in Saudi

Hamas is one of two groups steering the 32-month-old nprising by Palestinians who have demonstrated in recent days against foreign intervention in the Gulf crisis and in support of Iraqi

President Saddam Hussein. Pictures of Saddam appeared this week for the first time ever throughout the occupied territories and in Nazareth. Hundreds of pro-Iraqi Palestinians have staged daily demonstrations in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The depth of support for the Jewish state's most feared foe among the 700,000 Arabs in Israel and 1.75 million Palestinians in the occupied territories has surprised Israeli officials.

Defence Minister Moshe Arens said during a tour of the West Bank on Tuesday he was "disappointed" to discover so many Palestinians backed Iraq, whose president has threatened to use chemical weapons against Israel if attacked any Arab state.

Hamas said it sent Saddam a message Wednesday urging him to close ranks with Muslim states and work for "liberating Pales-

The group, an organ of the Muslim Brotherhood, was believed to have been financed by Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

Palestinians said Saudi authorities prevented hundreds of them entering the kingdom. Many, employed as civil servants or teachers, were told their services were no longer needed. More than 200,000 Palestinians, including thousands from the West Bank and Gaza Strip, live and work in Saudi Arabia.

Israeli officials at the Gaza Strip border crossing in Rafah told Reuters that Egyptians turn back some 20 Palestinians every day, most intending to travel to Saudi Arabia or Knwait.

Egypt has sided with Saudi Arabia and the United States against Iraq, which seized Kuwait m a lightning attack on Aug. 2. Palestinians said hundreds of their relatives were trapped in Jordan because of the Saudi poli-

A Gaza city doctor who worked in Saudi Arabia for eight years told his family he was refused entry last week without explana-

"They simply told him that roads there were blocked by military traffic and there was no room for civilian vehicles," a

The engineers union in the Gaza Strip, dominated by Hamas supporters, Wednesday condemned U.S. threats to blockade

### Egypt delays dispatch of troops

CAIRO (AP) — Egypt postponed with no explanation a scheduled departure at dawn Wednesday of a new batch of elite combat troops to Saudi Ara-

The government's press office, which had invited the press to cover the departure of the Egyptian soldiers, informed the AP that their leaving had been post-poned until further notice.

It was not immediately known why the scheduled departure had been postponed or until when.

An unspecified number of troops had been scheduled to depart from a military airport near Cairo. The soldiers were expected to bear few offensive arms but carry one essential defensive item — gas masks.

About 3,000 Egyptian soldiers

flew to Sandi Arabia at the weekend, military sources said, part of a joint Arab force agreed by 12 Arah states at a summit in Cairo last Friday.

Wednesday's departures were to have been the first of up to 2,000 reinforcements the sources said are to join the Egyptian force

dispatched to face concentrations of Iraqi troops at the Saudi frontier. They said the numbers could

Officially, the government has given no specifics on the Egyptian task force. But the military sources said it includes commandos, garatroops, ebemicalwarfare specialists and infantry-

Contributors to the joint Arab force are Egypt, Syria and Morocco. Pakistan also promised to send troops.

The military sonrces said Egyptian soldiers in Saudi Arabia, like their comrades in the U.S.-led multinational force, are equipped with gas masks. The precaution is in anticipation of possible Iraqi use of poison gas in the event of combat, they said.

The sources would not say, however, whether the Egyptian contingent is equipped with chemical weapons.

Egypt's arsenal is known to have included poison gas for about three decades, and Egypt was reported to have used that weapon in the early 1960s in

Between 1962 and 1967, Egyptian troops fought alongside Yemeni republican forces against Saudi-backed royalists. Reports persisted that Egypt used gas on the battlefield, although Cairo never admitted it.

The military sources said Egypt bas set no limit on the size of its contribution to the joint Arab force. It will depend, they said, on the size of the Syrian and Moroccan contingents and on Saudi requirements.

Advance units of the Syrian contingent arrived in Sandi Arabia Tuesday.

A contingent of Moroccan soldiers has been dispatched to Saudi Arabia, anthorised sources said in Rabat.

The 1,200-man force arrived in Riyadh on Sunday to perform a "symbolic" defensive role with U.S., British, Egyptian, Saudi and other troops already there, the sources said.

No other details were disclosed. Saudi radio monitored in Rabat late Tuesday confirmed

### ransom paid for ICRC hostages'

BEIRUT (AP) — A ransom of \$5.5 million has been paid to gain the release of two Swiss hostages of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), a Beirut newspaper said Wednesday.

The conservative Al Anwar daily did not say who paid the ransom for freeing Emannel Christen and Elio Erriquez.

It quoted sources in South Lebanon's port city of Sidon, where the two were kidnapped in October, as saying Erriquez's freedom was delayed for several hours because of the kidnappers' demand to raise the ransom.

"The kidnappers insisted on collecting the full amount and that the share of third party which worked as a mediator be added to the previous amount," the source said without further elaboration.

. The paper said the ransom increase caused panic, which upset the release operation of Erri-

### '\$5.5 million | Bush said to have okayed 'secret arms' for Egypt

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — President George Bush has secretly approved the transfer of more than \$1 billion worth of advanced F-16 fighter jets and antitank missiles to Egypt in the first case of what could be a new round of arms exports to the Middle East, the Washington Post said Wednesday.

The Egyptian arms transfer, which requires congressional approval and funding, would add to Cairo's arsenal at least 40 F-16s and associated weaponry, inclind-ing dozens of Maverick air-tosurface missiles and cluster bombs, the Post said.

The report quoted administra-tion officials as saying the White House was also considering step-ping np arms sales to Saudi Ara-bia, Oman, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Morocco and Turkey. Each of these has assisted in the U.N.ordered trade ban aimed at forcing Iraq to withdraw the troops that seized Kuwait Aug. 2.

The report, citing military offi-cials, said the administration was considering sales of Stinger missiles to Oman and the United quoted as saying King Hassan of Morocco was seeking F-16s like those sent to Egypt but lacked funds to buy them. The White House bad no im-

mediate comment on the report. Bush and Secretary of State James Baker had said the administration plans to waive a congressional limit of 60 F-15 aircraft that may be held by Saudi Arabia, allowing at least 12 new fighters to be deployed under Saudi control to defend against any air attack.

The sales and transfers would be aimed partly at bolstering the military forces of nations supporting or participating in the multinational Arab defence force now being assembled on Saudi oil. several officials were quoted as

"Another aim is to help some of Iraq's neighbours defend against future aggression," the Post said. "The defence bureaucracy wants to sprinkle arms throughout the region," a senior U.S. official was quoted as

### U.N. flag for warships in Gulf

UNITED NATIONS (AP) The United States, apparently reacting to criticism of its unilateral blockage of Iraqi shipping, suddenly expressed interest Tuesday in flying the U.N. flag to protect warships in the Gulf.

The Soviet Union, which for everal years has been promoting a wider U.N. role in containing regional conflicts, called the U.S. move positive and said Moscow was open to broad discussion of joint military efforts under U.N.

Previously, the United States has been cool to the idea of U.S. generals, who command the largest foreign force in the Gulf, taking orders from U.N. military officers. The United States also has opposed Soviet military involvement in the region.

"The very fact that we are exploring this... mechanism shows we have no intention of ignoring the United Nations," a senior U.S. official told reporters. He spoke on condition of anonymity

The last time an international military operation flew the U.N. flag was in 1950 during the Korean war, when the U.N. operation has placed under a U.S. command.

Bnt now the United States and the Soviet Union are on the same side and the United States would like to bolster its unilateral action with U.N. support and U.N. action. Western diplomats said.

"We are prepared to consider all (military cooperation) ideas within the security council framework," said Valentin V. Lozinskiy, Soviet deputy permanent representative, after a council meeting to endorse Liechtenstein's U.N. membership.

But he told reporters "joint military action has not yet been brought for discussion" formally to the council.

"We certainly do not think using force is appropriate," he said in answer to a question about U.S. enforcement of the quarantime against Iraq. He refrained from criticising the United States, but told questioners that in the council "the prevailing mood was for a cautions way to proceed and for the collective will to prevail."

He said most members of the 15-nation council wanted more time to determine the effectiveness of the U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq before deciding whether to call for a U.N. block-

Western diplomats said there was increasing council interest in U.N. action to enforce the economie sanctions, possibly moving carefully to a U.N. blockade.

"The Americans are ready to enforce U.N. sanctions. by themselves," one diplomat said. "But they would feel much more comfortable if they were backed up by council enforcement."

The Soviet Union reiterated Tuesday it believes the United Nations is the best forum for resolving the Gulf crisis.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze was joined in that assessment by Inder Kumar Gujral, the Indian foreign minister who the news agency TASS said flew to Moscow to discuss Irag's takeover of Kuwait. "Collective efforts are especial-

ly important in this situation," TASS quoted the two as saying. The international community should fully use the United Nations mechanism and the potential of the Security Council."

## U.S. wants Turkey bars ships with Iraqi cargo

ANKARA (R) — Turkey has stopped ships unloading food for Iraq and is holding in one port 12,500 tonnes of cargo destined for Baghdad, an official at the southern Turkish port of Mersin said Wednesday.

"There are only three ships at the port, two of them carrying a total of 3,200 tonnes of refrigerated meat for Iraq. We are not allowing them to unload and expect them to leave soon," Deputy Port Manager Hasan Karakus told Reuters.

He told Reuters the ships were the 7,563-tonne Moroccan freighter Ifni and the Danish 1,398tonne Ice Flower.

The Ifni bad unloaded 2,597 tonnes of its 4,304-tonne meat cargo when Turkey implemented U.N. sanctions against Iraq on Ang. 6 for its takeover of Knwait. Since sanctions went into effect, a total of 12,500 tonnes of various commodities for Iraq had been unloaded but were now at Mersin, Karakus said.

"We do not know what will happen to them," he said. Nine thousand tonnes of the blocked cargo was in containers and the rest was durable goods in the open, he added.

Ankara has said it will strictly observe sanctions and Karakus said: "If a vessel declares cargo destined for Iraq, we don't even let it dock."

He said a third ship, the 12,095-tonne Mexican-flag Nauticas Mexico, which brought electrical supplies for Turkey with an Iraq-bound cargo, was allowed to unload Turkish shipments only.

Before the embargo, many of Traq's imported goods landed at Mersin or the smaller Turkish port of Iskenderun and were taken to Iraq by convoys of Turkish trucks.

Mersin normally handled from 60,000 to 100,000 tonnes of cargo a month for Iraq, transhipping it into convoys for the journey south. Cargo included an annual 75,000 tonnes of meat, Karakus

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was asked his people to eat less and told them stockpiles were enough to defeat the sanctions. European commodity traders say Iraq has probably got enough stocks of certain basic supplies to

bold out for several months. U.S. President George Bush has said food should be included in the ban on trade with Iraq, most of whose crude oil exports have been stopped by the sanc-

Turkey earlier shnt twin pipelines across its territory which carry more than half Iraq's oil

### Envoy says Kuwait had agreed to Iraqi terms

CAIRO (AP) - The foreign minister in Kuwait's ousted government says Iraq attacked Kuwait even after it agreed to write off Iraq's war debis and let Baghdad use an island for its oil operations.

Those were two of Iraq's key demands in negotiations that broke down just before Iraq sent its troops storming across the border into Kuwait Aug. 2.

Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Jaber, foreign minister in the government the Iraqis toppled, spoke of the concessions in this week's state-owned Al Mussawar magazine, published Wednesday.

About the war debts, an estimated \$14 billion to \$15 billion accrued during Baghdad's 1980-88 war with Iran, Sheikh Sabah said: "Iraq asked us to drop the debts, and we did not object."

He said the island question, which involved Iraq's need of an ontlet for its oil exports, was But less than 24 hours before

the attack, Iraqi and Kuwaiti delegates in Jeddah, Saudi Ara-

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Iraq and Iran. Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Wednesday lashed out at the American forces in the Gulf,

Tehran, Khamenei said that the presence of foreign powers in the region amounted to a "fight of the world's

terests and resources." regimes of the region maintained an inhumane silence during the eight-

invasion of Kuwait, and have adopted vast efforts to protect their interests."

bia, failed to reach agreement over those two problems and an Iraqi border claim. Iraq stormed out, and the assault followed.

Afterwards, Baghdad did not refer to the conflicts with Kuwait but said the attack was at the request of Kuwaitis who had overthrown the old ruling family. Iraq later announced formation

of a new Kuwaiti government, then declared Kuwait had merged with Iraq. In his comments to Al Mussa-

war, Sheikh Sabah, the ousted foreign minister, said the island question had been an irritant between Iraq and Knwait throughout the Iran-Iraq war. Baghdad constantly asked for the use of the strategic islands Warba and Bubiyan; Kuwait constantly refused. .

"Iraq asked for Bubiyan Island," he told the magazine, "We agreed to give them Warba Island instead because Bubiyan is abou a quarter the area of Kuwait and because Warba is enough for Iraq's purposes.

### Iraq makes peace with Iran

was now awaiting word from Tehran whether the repatriation could go ahead as planned.

It would be the biggest group to be returned by any side since fighting ended in the eight-year war between

calling U.S. domination over the "hellish," Tehran Radio re-Speaking at religious gathering in

begemonist powers over material in-Condemning the West, and the Arah countries which backed Iraq in the war against Iran, he asked: "Global arrogance and reactionary

year incursion against Iran. "They are now excited by the Global arrogance is a revolutionary Iranian euphemism for the West and the United States.

Condemning the presence of

American forces in the region, Khamenci said: "The global order dominating the world is a hellish establishment which has taken the fate of humanity into its own hands." Khamenei said the United States had long been wanted to strengthen its military presence in the region, and Iraq's takeover of Kuwait had given

Washington the pretext to carry out its designs. Syrian Vice-President Abdul Halim Khaddam was due in Tehran Wednesday for talks with Iranian leaders. Syria was Iran's main Arab upporter during the Gulf war.
Iran also received message about

the Gulf crisis from the Soviet Union and Oman Wednesday, IRNA said.
It gave no details about the messages from Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Oman's Sultan Qaboos Ben Said which were handed to Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati and President Raf-

### MIDDLE EAST NEWS IN BRIEF

### Kuwait is a 'southern iraqi city'

NICOSIA (AP) — The Iraqi governments is now calling Knwait City one of the "cities of southern Iraq" after Baghdad announced Kuwait's merger with Iraq. Baghdad at first installed a "provisional government of free Kuwait," which in turn declared a "republic" just 24 hours before Aug. 8 merger. Under the emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, it was known as the State of Kuwait and bridled at being called an "emirate," because in Arabic that term connotes a tiny sheikhdom or fiefdom. Iraqi spokesmen are now referring to "Knwait, Al Jahra.. and other cities of southern Iraq." Al Jahra is one of the municipalities that made up the State of

#### Shots fired near iraq embassy in Bahrain

BAHRAIN (R) — Shots were fired Tuesday from a small boat on Bahrain's northeast coast where several embassies, including the Iraqi and Kuwaiti diplomatic missions, are sited, people who heard the gunfire said Wednesday. Diplomats said the shots had been fired in anger and that the Iraqi embassy was the target. There was no immediate official comment from Bahrain's Interior Ministry or from the embassy. Bahrainis in the nearby marina club heard the shots at around 7.45 p.m. (1645 GMT).

#### Network Mideast coverage boosts ratings

NEW YORK (AP) - The newtworks' coverage of the Middle East crisis last week boosted ratings for their evening newscasts by 19 per cent and gave them a larger average audience than prime-time entertainment shows. The increase was due to public interest in the news from the Middle East and U.S. military movements there, said NBC research Vice President Preston Beckman Tuesday CBS, NBC and ABC evening newcasts collectively averaged a 28.8 rating and a 60 per cent share of the audience last week, compared with a 28.1 rating and 53 share for prime time programmes, Nielsen Audience Estimates showed. ABC's front-running "World News Tonight" averaged a 10.6 rating. "The CBS Evening News." whose anchor, Dan Rather, has been in the Middle East since Iraq's Ang. 2 take-over of Kuwait, averaged a 9.3. "NBC Nightly News" ran third an 8.9 average. Each ratings point represents 921,000 homes. The audience share is the estimated percentage of homes tuned to a given programme in its time period.

#### 'Kuwaiti dipiomats in iraq jailed'

LONDON (AP) - The British Broadcasting Corporation Wednesday quoted the Kuwaiti embassy in London as saying all Kuwaiti diplomats in Iraq bave been jailed following Iraq's Aug. 2 take-over of its neighbour. The embassy said eight Kuwait diplomats in Baghdad, including the ambassador to Iraq, and three in the southern port of Basra were arrested by Iraqi anthorities last weekend and taken to prison with their families, BBC World Service reported in a radio news bulletin. It gave no other details.

#### Kuwaiti 'resistance' radio to broadcast

CAIRO (R) - Kuwait's Al Anba'a daily appeared in Cairo Wednesday for the first time since Iraq's take-over of the Gulf state and said a resistance radio would soon start broadcasting from Egypt. Al Anba'a said the new station, "Radio Kuwait," would stay on the air for two hours a day broadcasting "Patriotic programmes and calls on the sons of Kuwait to confront the Iraqi invasion." A Kuwait resistance radio, "Huna Al Kuwait" (this is Kuwait), operating from an undisclosed site south of Kuwait City, fell silent Tnesday after Baghdad Radio started transmissions on its frequency.

#### Sri Lankan minister to assess Gulf situation

COLOMBO (R) - President Ramasinghe Premadasa will send a minister to the Middle East to investigate whether thousands of Sri Lankans stranded following Iraq's take-over of Kuwait require assistance. Premadasa has instructed Labour Minister G.M. Premachandra "to make an on-the-spot assessment of the position of stranded Sri Lankans and to take appropriate steps to afford them relief," the president's office said Wednesday. Premachandra was to leave later Wednesday for Jordan, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and other Middle East states. About 500,000 Sri Lankans were working in the Middle East, said David Soysa, chairman of the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Bureau. Som 90,000 were in Knwait, about 80 per cent of them working as

### Bangiadesh imposes austerity measures

DHAKA (R) - Bangladesh has cut fuel and electricity use to beat a feared oil crisis following the United Nations sanctions against Iraq. Friday would be observed as an "oil holiday" throughout this South Asian country and all shops would have to close by 8 p.m. state-run television said. All neon signs and illuminations are banned and the number of street bights would be drastically reduced to conserve electricity, the television said. It said a special cabinet meeting Tuesday night, chaired by president Hossain Mohammad Ershad, took the austerity decision. Ershad said the Gulf crisis would not affect Bangladesh immediately but the country must be ready to face an unforeseen emergency. Bangladesh each year imports nearly two millions tonnes of petroleum products and about a million tonnes of crude oil from Gulf countries, particularly from Sandi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. Energy ministry officials said that the current oil stock in Bangladesh would last till October.

### iraq bars six Japanese from leaving

TOKYO (R) — Iraqi border guards turned back six Japanese trying to enter Jordan Tuesday, Japan's foreign minister said Wednesday. Iraqi officials had also told other Japanese trying to leave that the Baghdad government would not issue departure visas, the ministry said in a statement. There are 230 Japanese in Iraq and 278 in Kuwait. Most of those in Kuwait have taken refuge in the Japanese embassy, it said. Since Iraq's Aug 2 take-over of Kuwait, 172 Japanese have fled Iraq. No injuries bave been reported, the ministery said.

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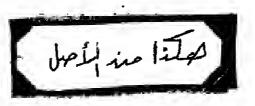
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# Egyptian embassy denies improper treatment of Egyptian expatriates AMMAN (J.T.)—The Egyptian patriates; they are working in Egyptian close cooperations.

denied an Egyptian press report including allegations of improper treatment of Egyptian expatriates by the Jordanian border author-

"A report about alleged mistreatment by the Jordanian authorities of Egyptian nationals at the crossing points, while on their way from Kuwait and Iraq, as published in the Egyptian newspaper Al Wafd is totally groundless," said Charge d'Affaires here Ramzi Allam

Allam said that Egyptian embassy officials accompanied by teams of officials from the Egyptian Interior Ministry are stationed at the crossing points to heip process the entry into Jordanian territory of Egyptian exnian authorities in these matters.

Coinciding with the statement, the Public Security Department "These Egyptian officials have (PSD) circulated strict instrucbeen reporting full cooperation with the Jordanian side which has tions to all border police stations to double their efforts in the been according the best treatcourse of providing facilities and ment to the Egyptians upon their services for all the travellers crossing into Jordan," Allam going in or out of Jordan.

"It is the duty of all policemen Allam voiced deep appreciaand police women under any tion to the Jordanian Interior circumstances to remain polite to Ministry and the Public Security foreigners and Jordanian citizens Department for their full coopat all crossing points and border centres in order to reflect the best eration with the Egyptian side in dealing with matters related to image about Jordan's hospitalthe returning Egyptian expatri- ity," the circular said.

It appealed to all commanders of police stations at the border to see to it that the standing instructions are respected and hon-

Egyptian-Jordanian nes.

He also appealed to the Egyptian press to be more accurate in reporting news about the expatriates to belp maintain strong oured.

> home from Kuwait via Jordan. There are at least 17,000 Indian nationals working in Kuwait and planning to return to India via Jordan, the minister said.

Crown Prince.

Indian minister

AMMAN (J.T.) — Visiting Indian Minister of Energy and Civil

Aviation Aref Mohammad Khan

was received here Wednesday by

His Royal Highness Crown

Prince Hassan, the Regent, with

whom he reviewed recent de-

velopments in the Middle East

and the Gulf regions.
Prince Hassan explained Jor-

dan's position vis-a-vis the pre-

sent situation in the Gulf and

called for a peaceful settlement.

He also warned against continued

presence of foreign military

The Indian minister expressed

his country's appreciation of Jor-

dan for the facilities offered to the Indian expatriates returning

forces on Arab or Islamic lands.

Middle East.

Gulf issues

review

The Regent promised that Jordan would do all it can to arrange for the reception of Indian expatriates and for their safe return

Khan met Tuesday with the Deputy Prime Minister and Interior Minister Salem Masaadeh to discuss facilities for the Indian expatriates arriving in Jordan from Kuwait.

He later held talks with Minister of Transport and Communications Nabil Abul Huda to discuss bilateral cooperation.

### Doctors. pharmacists to ensure medical services

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Arab Doctors Federation (ADF) will hold an emergency meeting in Tunis Sunday to discuss the dangerous situation in the Arab World brought about by the presence of American and other foreign troops in the Arabian peninsula and the Gulf region. ADF Secretary-General, Has-

san Khreis, said that the federation's secretariat would demand the formation of medical teams to help the wounded fragis in the event of an outbreak of hostili-

Khreis said that the secretariat would call for the immediate withdrawal of American forces from Arab land and for settling Arab problems by the Arab countries themselves. The federation groups doctors'

unions in Jordan, Algeria, Tuni-

sia, Libya, Palestine, Syria, Iraq

Ruseifeb. gures took part in the rally, urging Arabs to unite and CLARIFICATION

### Ministry issues detailed

student in government schools has been estimated at JD 113 annually, according to a report by the Ministry of Education published Monday.

It said that the estimates were based on a study of the schools' needs in the coming years in implementation of resolutions issued by the 1987 national edu-

Dr. Majed Bader, head of the Statistics Department at the Ministry of Education, said the estimated cost took into consideration interest on loans to the ministry which carries out various building and other projects, wear-and tear of materials, devaluation of the price of school buildings, and overhead expenses which inchude salaries of teachers and officials, rent and allowances for

According to Dr. Bader, a student in the primary stage costs an average JD 70 annually, a student in the preparatory stage JD 138 and a student in the secondary stage JD 215. The total cost of vocational training at schools is normally higher than academic-schools, reaching an average of JD 934 per student a year in the hotel management stream, JD .864 for a student in the agricultural stream, and JD 253 for each student in any of the other voca-

and commerce.

opposition to foreign troops in Mideast peaceful solution to the Gulf cri-News Agency, Petra. sis and to all other conflicts which

Chinese minister voices his country's

Deputy Minister of Foreign Eonomic Relations and Trade Li Lang Qing Wednesday voiced his country's opposition to the presence of foreign troops in the Middle East and the use of milit. ary power to settle conflicts and economic levels.

Speaking at a meeting with His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, Li said that the Gulf crisis should be settled within the Arab context.

The Regent also voiced Jordan's opposition to the presence of foreign troops and said that Arab diplomacy should be given a chance to deal with the Gulf

In reviewing with the Chinese official the latest developments, Prince Hassan stressed Jordan's readiness to work towards a

have been plaguing the Middle East on the basis of total and comprehensive solutions, taking into consideration all parties interests at various political and

Li said that the Chinese leadership highly appreciates Jordan's role in trying to reach a political settlement to the Gulf crisis. Before meeting the Regent, Li

had signed an economic cooperation agreement with Jordan, pledging to provide a \$10 million loan for the Kingdom to belp it finance part of its development

The \$10 million loan, payable over the next five years, will be spent on projects on which bilateral agreement is yet to be

reached, according to the Jordan

project separately.

and Housing.
The Chinese company, which

1987, had shipped equipment for the project and provided special-

the sports city which cost around \$10 million, with half of the cost provided as a loan by China.

Li had a meeting earlier this week with Dr. Ibrahim Badran, the Ministry of Industry and Trade's secretary-general, to discuss trade and economic relations and to review means of increasing the volume of goods exchanged

between the two countries. A ministry statement said later that Jordan's potash exports, which this year are expected to reach 250,000 tonnes, could reach 500,000 tonnes in 1991.

the Ministry of Planning by its Secretary-General Safwan Tougan and Li in the presence of Chinese Amhassador to Jordan Zhang De Liang and other offi-

### **Arrangements made for training** in first aid and use of light arms

AMMAN (J.T.) — In implementation of Royal directives. provincial governors have been holding meetings and making arrangements for the start of civil defence training in all districts and assigning centres for giving training in first aid and the use of light arms.

mad Ali Al Amin, who chaired a meeting of local governors within the Greater Amman region said that the capital and its suburbs would be divided into 20 differnt zones, each of which to be supplied with teams of civil defence staff to provide training and to supply the necessary equip-

The meeting followed Tuesday's announcement that special committees would take charge of coordinating civil defence operations which will involve creating special training centres at several schools in the capital, distribution of civil defence leaflets to school children and giving first aid instructions to volunteers.

In Salt the Professional Union announced that it had started registering volunteers to go to Iraq and fight alongside the Iraqi forces. Special meetings have been held at the Salt Cultural Club to discuss the arrangements' for civil defence and to review developments in the Gulf. \*\*\*\*

The club announced that if was organising a march on Friday to express solidarity with Iraq and to present in Arab countries.

The club announced a "white march" by cars to start from the southern town of Maan and to head for the Jordanian-Saudi Arabian border where the protesters, all donning white robes, will demand to be allowed in to perform the lesser pilgrimage in

The club's statement said that not less than 100,000 Muslims were asked to join the march to Mecca where they would hold a sit in at the Holy Keaba until all American troops have been forced to leave the Holy Land.

"The protesters will all chant religious slogans and will refrain from uttering any slogans against any country or in support of another," the statement said. The club gave tel. number

555954 for who-ever was interested to join the procession so that arrangements could be made for the trip and a date can be Meetings have also been going

on in Irbid, South Sbuynett, Madaba, Karak, Tafileh and Zarga to make arrangements for protest marches of to discuss civil defence training. The Jordanian Pharmacist Association (JPA) announced the

formation of a committee to organise the registration of volunteers "to fight the Americans."

A statement said that the association had prepared a list of

Jordan. The list will be distri-

buted to all drug stores. In Zarga it was announced Wednesday that intensive training of civilians in the use of light arms would start Saturday at a number of training centres.

The announcement followed a meeting chaired by Governor Mohammad Shobaki, during which civil defence work and the role of the people's army were discussed. Shobaki urged various municipalities to create proper public shelters for the civilians in their respective regions.

In Karak a protest march was organised Wednesday by Muta University students and the Karak Community College.

Egyptian nations living in the southern regions took part in the protest march which was in expression of solidarity with Iraq. The marchers raised portraits of His Majesty King Hussein and the Iraqi president and chanted anti-American slogans,

For the second consecutive day Egyptian nationals in the Zarqa Governorate Wednesday marched in the streets of Zarga city expressing condemnation of the presence of foreign troops in Arabia and vocing support for Iraq. The marchers, carrying posters and portraits of His. Majesty King Hussein and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, denounced foreign intervention as an attempt to impose foreign

# Jordanians in Jerash

dent Hosni Mubarak and Saudi Arabia's King Fahd, they said "Ob Mubarak you traitor... oh

Fahd you collaborator." other western forces stationed there to protect the kingdom in case it comes under Iraqi attack.

took to the narrow alleys of this Greco-Roman city on Wednesday to praise Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and denounce western intervention in the Gulf crisis.

men and women shouted as one of the demonstrators burned a U.S. flag in protest against American-led foreign intervention in the Gulf.

Mubarak has sent troops into Sandi Arabia to join U.S. and

Times issue of Aug. 15, 1990, a senior official was quoted as saying that "banks are under no

transfer their foreign currency deposits..." The statement should have made clear that banks are under no obligation to give clients hard currency banknotes. Banks are obliged to give foreign exchange transfers and cheques in accordance with Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) regula-

# report on education costs

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army general, Mousa Ali Al-Assad, the mayor of Ruseifeh, Mohammad Dawudieb, a prominent Jordanian journalist and Dr. Nader Tamimi of the Jordanian faction of the Isla-

The speakers nrged Arab leaders to take a united stand in dealing with problems faced the Arab Nation. They further expressed support and sympathy for Iraq in the current Gulf crisis. "Arab pride and honour is at

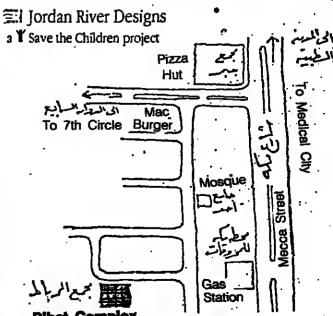
stake," a participant of the rally told the Jordan Times. "We have to achieve unity at. all costs; then we will be able to solve our (political) goals, namely the liberation of Palesrine." be added.

Similar rallies and marches nised throughout the Kingdom during the past few days.

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### Italy wants U.N. envoy

possibility of leaving those coun-

Iraq has relaxed restrictions imposed immediately after its take-over of Kuwait to allow thousands of Arabs, Asians, Africans, Latin Americans and East

Europeans to leave. But most West Enropeans and Americans bave remained stranded in Iraq and Kuwait despite pledges by Baghdad that all foreigners are safe and free to

Italy said Monday that as of Aug. 7 there were 3,657 EC citizens in Kuwait and 2,243 in Iraq. Most were British, French or West German.

An estimated 3,000 Americans were still in Kuwait and Iraq. Foreigners escaping Kuwait and Baghdad flooded through the desert to Jordan Wednesday but some died in the 50 degrees Centigrade (120 Fahrenheit)

Officials said 4,000 people arrived in Jordan in 12 hours. They included 2,000 Egyptians, 360 the Iranian news agency IRNA Jordanians, Syrians, Lebanese, said Wednesday.

Pakistanis, Indians, Filipinos, Yemenis and Tunisians. Refugees reaching Umari on the Saudi border told Reuter

correspondent Rana Sabbagh they spent five days driving across desert roads. "Some people died in the desert, others got lost and many

Abu Ali, 40. The only Europeans to cross at Al Ruweished Wednesday were 11 Poles. ·

At Umari, 180 kilometres southeast of Amman, officials said 1,000 refugees from Kuwait crossed in the last 12 hours.

Many were crammed into trucks with their babies and piles

of furniture, matresses and other ·The first group of Iranians who were stranded in Kuwait arrived home after a tortuous escape

# Mashhour Haditheh, a retired

Dr. Bader attributed the rising cost of vocational training to the increasing cost of equipment and

In February this year, the Ministry of Education said that it would spend JD 40 million from now until 1998 to equip schools with technical facilities, including laboratories and on setting up

In June 1990, the Council of construction of 30 school buildings as a first stage in a programme which entails setting up 180 schools by 1992.

It said that altogether a total of 67 schools would be constructed. during 1990 and the Ministry of Education has already announced tenders for the construction of some of them.

The ministry estimated the cost of building 30 schools at \$12

According to the June statement, 100 school buildings were under construction, of which 40 at least will be ready to receive students in the 1990-1991 scholas-

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HOME NEWS IN BRIEF

King sends reply cables

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday sent reply cables to Saudi King Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz and Sheikh Issa Ibn Salman Al Khalifa of Bahrain who congratulated the King on the anniversary of his accession to the throne. The King thanked the two leaders and wished them good health and happines and their peoples further progress and prosperity

### Regent congratulates indonesia

AMMAN (Petra) - His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, sent a cable of congratulations to Indonesian President Subarto, congratulating him on his country's national day. Prince Hassan wished the president continued good health and happiness and the Indonesian people further progress and prosperity.

#### Cabinet endorses protocol AMMAN (Petra) - The Council of Ministers Wednesday

Turkey for the years 1990, 1991 and 1992. The protocol provides for increasing the volume of bilateral cooperation in cultural Councils to hold solidarity rally AMMAN (Petra) - A public rally will be held at the Palace of

Culture on Thursday morning to voice solidarity with Iraq. The

rally, to be attended by heads of municipal councils in Jordan, is

endorsed a cultural cooperation protocol between Jordan and

#### to be held under the motto "Confronting the New Imperialist-Zionist Aggression Against the Arab World."

Bank approves loan for Fuhais municipality FUHAIS (Petra) — Cities and Yillages Development Bank Wednesday approved presenting a JD 60,000-loan for Al Fuhais Municipality to complete the final stage of Al Fuhais House. Fuhais Mayor Parouq Ireisat said the tender will be announced in

#### the coming few days. People's Army batch graduates

IRBID (Petra) — A new batch of the People's Army recruits graduated Wednesday at Yarmouk University. Irbid Governor Jawadat Al Shoul distributed awards to winners in shooting and other military skills competitions. 35,000 in Maan unemployed

### MAAN (Petra) - A total of 35,000 Jordanians in the Maan

district are unemployed and seeking jobs and the Vocational Training Centre (VTC) is trying to help them find jobs, according to Ahmad Atwan, VTCs director general. He made the statement at a general meeting held at Maan Municipality where discussion dealt with vocational training course for the job seekers in the governorate to replace non-Jordanians. Jordan receives sheep vaccines AMMAN (Petra) — The Ministry of Agriculture has received half a million doses of vaccine to provide immunity to sheep in

Jordan against foot and mouth disease. The gift came from the

Ministry of Agriculture in Iraq, according to Minister of Agriculture Suleiman Arabiyat. Arabiyat said that the gift was worth

\$100,000 and he voiced Jordan's appreciation to Iraq.

# Pro-Iragi demonstrate

JERASAH (R) — More than 5,000 Jordanians and Palestinians

"Down with America," the

Referring to Egyptian Presi-

which appeared in the Jordan

and Bahrain.

counter the latest threats by In the story, 'Rush for U.S. dollars, withdrawals continues,"

obligation to sell foreign exchange... except upon availabil-ity. Otherwise they could have them (customers) cheques or

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tries freely."

cars were stuck in the sand," said

Some 100 trucks, mainly loaded with grain, rumbled through the Jordanian frontier towards Baghdad.

through Saudi Arabia and Qatar,

House of Parliament, urged Muslims "to rise against the foreign invaders and liberate

the boly shrines in Saudi Ara-Al Haj called on Muslims to put a stop to "U.S.-sponsored factionalism" in the Arab

the U.S. and western coun-

Mohammad Al Haj, mem-

tries to the Arab nation.

"The results of the Sykes-Picot agreement has to be discarded once and for all," be urged, referring to the 1916 agreement between France and Britain which divided

The other speakers were

AMMAN (J.T.) — The average educational aids needed for vocacost of providing education to a tional centres.

centres for manufacturing educational aids for schools.1 Ministers gave its approval for the

Petra said that the loan, to be paid in equal instalments, will be

in the form of commodities or in convertible currency, to he mutually agreed on , and with special arrangements for each Li also signed an agreement for

handing over the Al Hassan Sports City in Irbid which was constructed with Chinese assistance in accordance with the terms of an earlier agreement signed by a Chinese construction company and the Ministry of Public Works

started work on the project in

ists and engineers. Last Saturday Li attended a

Agency, left the station early

Wednesday heading towards

the Indian embassy. Rather

than reporting to the embassy.

the buses went straight to

According to an official,

"there was a large group of

Egyptians there who must bave

bribed the bus drivers into

Baghdad station.

The agreements were signed at

### Yemenis are stranded in Amman as Saudi Arabia closes border to them

By Nur Sati Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN - A grossp of 400 Yemenis who arrived in Amman after midnight Tuesday on their own were found stationed in various mosques throughout the city, anxious to go back

It seems though that the Yemenis are having difficulty departing because Saudi Arabia has announced its closure of air and land routes to the

Yemenis. According to the Yemenis interviewd by the Jordan Times, the majority of whom are shopkeepers who left Iraq because work had come to a halt. "we are still waiting for

news from our embassy but

they told us that Saudi Arabia was closing the border and air space to us. According to Yemenia (the

Yemen national airline), there are flights every Wednesday to Sanaa. Neither the Yemeni embassy nor the Saudi Arabian embassy bere were able to comment on the situation.

the group. Arabs, waiting to leave either by bus or car. Another 20,000 Yemenis have remained in

"We will have to go by sea and the embassy will send our cars later," said one Yemeni in There are many people on the Iraqi border, mostly

taking their group, but it was Iraq waiting for arrangements not a hijack. for their travel, the group said. Another official said that re-Meanwhile, panie swept ports coming in were largely over Indian citizens in Bagh-

Amman.

exaggerated and explained that cused on a group of Egyptians when the four buses were leavwbo took over two of the four ing the premises and beading for the Indian embassy, "twobuses ordered by the Indian embassy in Jordan 10 transport of the buses got lost on the way." So far the official knows their people from Baghdad to the two buses are still missing. The report said that four "We are not even sure how buses from the Al Haramen they were taken."

Officials nevertheless have reassured the parties concerned that no Indian citizens from Bagindad, that were meant to leave for Jordan; are left behind. "The embassy ordered three more buses after discovering that the other two were missing.

Already, a group of 370 In-dians waiting in Jordan for a special Air India flight beading for Bombay left Wednesday evening, officials said.

### Hittin refugee camp holds rally of support for Iraq

By Ali Masarweh

Special to the Jordan Times AMMAN - Anti- western slogans and placards dominated the scene at a rally held in support of Iraq in the yard of Ain Ghazal Secondary School at the Hittin refugee camp near the town of Ruseifeh Wednes-

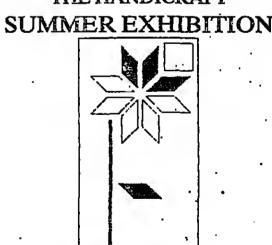
day afternoon. Several hundred people took part in the rally, chanting antiwestern slogans. The governments of Egypt, Saudi Arabia. Syria and other Arab states were also harshly crinicised at the rally, which was jointly organised by the Hittin Youth

Organisation and the town of Several Jordanian public fi-

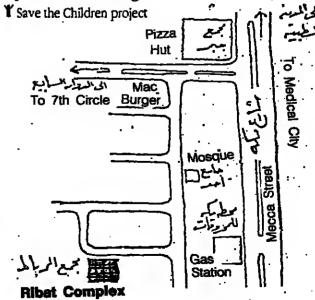
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### iraq move vs. Iran: **Bold and positive**

SADDAM Hussein has taken another bold step. This time it was to close the long chapter of Iraq's historical conflict with Iran over the issue of borders and territorial and water rights of the two neighbouring countries.

For us, the Iraqi president's move has to be seen, first and foremost, in its historical context and dimensions - in its meaning to future generations and the whole region. Once and for all, we hope, the curtain will be drawn on an Arab-Persian conflict that has cost both sides dearly and opened the way for macceptable foreign intervention in the

region's affairs and security.
For others, President Hussein's initiative towards Tran will must probably be seen or portrayed as a tactical move to strengthen the Iraqi position in today's Gulf crisis.

The West, led by the U.S., will not care much for two neighbouring countries making peace between them, even over a conflict that lasted for generations. Experience shows that the West will also guard against such a dramaticallypositive step and may even try to sabotage it.

The U.S.-led West will not view the development as a necessary and crucial step towards lasting regional stability in the Middle East. Not now nor at any other time in the future, where its interests are not served best and accommodated first, will an imperialist or colonial mentality accept the right of choice and independence for any people or country on earth.

This is why perhaps the world has not come any closer towards global peace and imminent solutions to over 40 ongoing regional conflicts.

This is the sort of mentality that Iraq yesterday chose to fight - at the buge cost which the Iraqis had to pay in their eight-year war with Iran.

People in the West may not readily understand, and the decision makers there may not want to understand the underlying reasons and implications of the Iraqi move, except perhaps in that the Iraqi president is trying to free more soldiers to fight Western navies and forces in the Gulf and Saudi Arabia. This is their business.

Our concern in this part of the world remains that there will be no true world peace if such mentality persists. There will be no international legitimacy and security.

The U.N. secretary-general last night hailed the Iraqi move and Iran's positive response to it. Is not there something to learn and build on from his reaction? Can it be said or believed that Saddam Hussein is only interested in war and hegemony, when he has shown so much magnanimity and flexibility in dealing with his hitherto enemy, the Iranians? Can his withdrawal from Iran not be extended to Kuwait, if the others were willing to make just and lasting peace, based on mutual respect and interests, with his country?

These are just some of the questions that people in the West should think about and try to answer. Saddam Hussein does take bold actions and can go overboard in taking some of them. Especially so when he or his country are provoked, threatened or humiliated. But it cannot be presumed that he would opt for public relations if the choice, was between perishing and living in freedom and dignity.

His move towards Iran is but a solid indication that if Iraq were not under immediate threat from foreign powers, Saddam would be ready and prepared for a give-and-take relationship with everybody.

### ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

KING HUSSEIN'S visit to the United States at this crucial moment could mark the beginning of a fruitful dialogue between the U.S. administration and the Arab World to avert an explosion and destruction, said Al Ra'l Arabic daily Wednesday. Against a background of an explosive situation in view of the massing of troops and the naval forces in the Gulf, the King is entrusted with a difficult mission which, if successful, could save the world from a catastrophe and regain for the Arabs their solidarity once again, the paper noted. It said that before the emergence of the crisis, the King was active in his contacts with Arah capitals, trying to settle the dispute by peaceful means, and now after the serious developments, be will try wholeheartedly to defuse tension and will do all in his power to protect Arab interests. For this reason Arab masses follow with hope the King's endeavours and hope that his talks with the U.S. administration will put an end to the conflict, the paper said. The warships, the gnns and the tanks and warplanes can by no means bring friendship among nations of the world; but can only cause devastation and loss for various parties. said the paper. Motivated by these conceptions and driven by keenness to safeguard national interests, the King is making a last ditch attempt to bring peace.

A columnist in Al Ra'i on Wednesday pays tribute to the Civil Defence Department's efforts in training the public on rescue operations and first aid. It is indeed gratifying to hear the civil defence director announce that more than 50,000 Jordanians have received such training over the past five years, and that endeavours were continuing to help people protect themselves in times of war, says Nazila. But, he adds, the public shelters in Amman are in bad shape and are in need of cleaning and general maintenance following years of neglect if the public is to make use of them when the moment comes. These shelters are full of fifth and dirt, and wastewater which require immediate attention, and a general campaign in which volunteers can participate are most needed at the moment, the writer notes. What is more, the writer adds, shelters are badly needed in residential areas where building licences had not stipulated the construction of shelters and where the local residents are left without any protection.

### Japan's Mideast policy wrangle shows hurdles to world leadership

By Linda Sieg Reuter

TOKYO — Japan's struggle to craft a decisive policy on the Middle East crisis is revealing all tooclearly the obstacles the economic superpower faces to taking a leadership role in world diplomacy, political analysts say.

When the crunch comes, Japan is on the sidelines," said Robert Orr, a political scientist and director of the Stanford Japan Centre, a language study institution set up by U.S. and Canadian universities.

#### **NEWS ANALYSIS**

"And there are a lot of Japanese in the government who are very satisfied with that." On Monday, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu postponed a trip to

the Middle East just two days before he was scheduled to leave. Government officials said they needed more time to put together a policy package on how Japan

could contribute to resolving the region's crisis. Kaifu, who since becoming prime minister a year ago has bolstered his popularity by fashioning a high foreign policy profile to compensate for a weak domestic power base was keen to go.

analysts said. But 'officials' worries that pushing ahead with the trip without a concrete policy would be a serious mistake forced Kaifu to

give way, they said. Japan has joined the United States and other Western countries in imposing economic sanctions against Iraq following its. August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But politicians, hureancrats and experts are divided on Tokyo's future role in the region as tension rises.

The difficulties leaders and officials face in defining that role are undermining confidence that Japan can take a significant initiative in non-economie diplomacy, especially if that means military involvement of some sort, the analysts said.

"There are lots of things Japan can and should do, but to carry them out. Japan should overcome some psychological and domestic constraints," said Seizaburo Sato, a political science professor at the University of Tokyo.

Among those constraints, Sato said, is a belief among many Japanese that Tokyo should still let Washington lead the way on the world stage if leadership involves any military action or support for such action.

"Many Japanese are still suffering from the traumatic experiences of World War II. They are still living in an age where the U.S. was predominantly powerful and they prefer that situation continue," he said.

"But the situation has already changed and... Japan should take

a much bigger responsibility."

More specifically, the government's interpretation of a constitutional han on the use of military force to solve international disputes bars Japan from joining a multinational military force, Sato

"If the government were brave enough to change the traditional interpretation... they could send troops to the Middle East," he

"But that is very unlikely under Kaifu.'

Japan's difficulties in coming up with a Middle East policy have also laid hare 'Kaifu's weak domestic political base.

"It does quite expose his greatest weakness; namely, that he is a puppet politician," said Jesper Koll, economist at S.G. Warburg (securities) Japan Inc.

Kaifu became prime minister in August 9, 1989 after stock and sex scandals topoled two of his-predecessors and sidetracked the aspirations for premiership of more powerful members of the. ruling Liberal Democratic Party.

"This just shows he's not very strong," Orr said. "When it comes to a crisis, with the weak leadership in the cabinet, the bureaucracy takes control... and they are inherently conserva-

Japan, under pressure from Washington to take action, is working on a financial aid pack-. age for the Middle East, officials

More controversial options include providing logistic support for a multinational force or giving indirect ficancial support for the U.S. military effort by shouldering more of the burden for U.S. forces in Asia, they said.

But if Tokyo dithers too long, it could destroy any appearance of acting independently and decisively, some analysts said.

"Japan will come up with a package of financial assistance,".

"The problem will be it will only be after plenty of pressure from the U.S. So the positive effect will be nil. It will be seen as coming about through foreign

### A look at Gulf force build-up

The Associated Press

HERE IS a look at the forces build-up in the Gulf region. In line with U.S. Defence Department practice, no details have been provided on numbers of U.S. aircraft or troops arriving in the Guif, nor their exact

Naval Forces The United States:

- 24 ships, 17,000 men, 200 aircraft and three aircraft carriers in the Gulf, the Arabian. Sea and the Red Sea. Warplanes from the carrier Independence, just outside the Gulf, fly nightly missions over that strategic sea,

— Advance elements of the

1st Marine Expeditionary. Force from Camp Pendleton, California, and the 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, from Twenty-Nine Palms, California, have arrived in Saudi

Other elements of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force have begun deploying to the Gulf area from California. The Marine group includes elements of the 1st Marine Division and the 1st Force Service Support Group from Camp Pendleton, and the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing from El Toro, California.

- Additionally, elements of the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, headquartered at Norfolk, Virginia, are deploying to Saudi Arabia. The brigade includes units from the 2nd Marine Division and the, 2nd Force Service Support Group of Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing at Cherry Point and New River, North

- A Marine Expeditionary Force usually totals about 50,000 personnel, but the Pentagon has declined to specify the size of the unit deploying to Saudi Arabia. - France: The aircraft car-

rier Clemenceau, guided-mis-sile cruiser Colbert and supply ship Var. - Britain: Three mines-

weepers; the destroyer HMS York, the frigate HMS Juniter, the frigate HMS Battleaxe. - Australia: Two frigates and

one supply ship.

— Canada: Three ships and 800 sailors. - The Soviet Union: Two

- West Germany: Four to five mine sweepers.

### Land forces

- Some elements of the 101st Airborne Division from Fort Campbell, Kentucky the 101st has a total of 15,400 soldiers and includes two attack battalions, each armed with 18 AH-64 Apache belicopters and 18 AH-1 Cobra anti-tank helicopters. It also has two assault helicopter battalions, each with 45 Blackhawk copters.

The division also has one medium-lift belicopter battalion equipped with 18 CH-47 Chinook helicopters, and one air cavalry squadron, which performs reconnaissance with 12 AH-1 Cobra helicopters and 12 OH-58 observation helicop-

- Some elements of the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanised) from Fort Stewart, Georgia, which have been deployed.

The 24th has a total of

16,600 soldiers and includes three M-1 tank hattalions, each with 58 tanks, and three FVS battalions, each with 54 Bradley fighting vehicles, plus reserve units. It also has two active artillery battalions



## **Bush confident on Gulf** crisis, uncertain at home

By Michael Gelb Reuter

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine - U.S. President George Bush's confident handling of the Gulf crisis contrasts sharply with his halting approach to domestie, matters but still leaves questions about his long-range policy vision.

'He's a guy who when he's had his druthers (choice) has always taken foreign policy jobs," political expert Stephen Hess says of the man who has been ambassador to the United Nations, envoy to China and director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

"He has a firmer sense of what he wants to do in foreign policy," added Hess, a former aide to President Richard Nixon and now at the Brookings Institution Public · Policy Group.

Bush's methodical response to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and his marshalling of an unparalleled international consensus that includes the Soviet Union, China, Syria and Iran support at home.

Bush has been on the phone daily, cajoling world leaders to isolate Iraq economically and confront it militarily. He persuaded Saudi King Fahd to drop his long-standing policy against public identification with the West and allow American military forces into Sandi

Bush kept lines open to Jordan but he bluntly warned on Tuesday that future U.S. aid

depends on Jordan's cooperation against Iraq. He said the U.S. navy will block the port at Agaba if needed to cut supply lines to Iraq. He has demonstrated anew

his willingness to put American military muscle behind his Previously, Bush has in-

vaded Panama to oust strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega, sent U.S. fighter planes aloft to fight a coup against Philippine President Corazon Aguino, ordered troops to rescue Americans held in an El Salvador hotel and sent the marines to evacuate Americans from

It sometimes seems as if a

different man runs U.S.

At home, Bush has simply failed to establish priorities. Although he grudgingly abandoned his popular "no new taxes" campaign pledge, Bush has generally been reluctant to stake his popularity on domes-

Perhaps his most forthright domestie stand has been opposition to flag burning.

He said in January 1989 that reduction of the federal budget. deficit was his top domestic priority. But after 19 months in the White House, Bush has yet to provide a comprehensive plan for closing the budget gap. Instead, he argued at a Tuesday news conference, it was Congress's job to enact a

by opposition democrats. But even in foreign policy there remain questions about his ability to take a long-range

Bush's ability to shape

Although he has responded adroitly to the disintegration of the Warsaw Pact and democratic reforms in Moscow and its former East Bloc allies, he has not clearly articulated his vi-sion for America's world role when he leaves office.

He has changed nuclear arms strategy and conventional arms negotiating postures at several points under pressure from U.S. allies. But the reversals, such as ending plans to put upgraded nuclear arms in West Germany and amending NATO doctrine for using nuclear weapons, seem at boc responses to events not part of any comprehensive strategy.

He's a fireman, says Hess. But that's what most presidents are." Some critics have quietly

suggested the standoff with Iraq could have been avoided if Bush had taken a firmer line against other Iraqi actions rather than discouraging a congressional bid earlier this year for sanctions against Baghdad. The failure of Bush and his

predecessors to reduce U.S. dependency on foreign oil has also contributed to the crisis by raising the economic stakes for Americans.

### Mutt'n'Jeff



### **Andy Capp**









### **Peanuts**

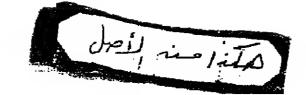












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### Volker Ludwig and GRIPS in Berlin —

### Pioneers of the children's theatre

By Andreas Rossmann

BERLIN - For a whole generation of Berliners, the Hansa-Platz underground station is at the top of their theatre list. Here, as pupils or preschool pupils, they made their. first acquaintance with an art unknown to their parents: "Realistic theatre, in which children recognise themselves and their environment, which stimulates their imagination; and increases their self-confidence. GRIPS means: Realisation through laughter."

theatre, which moved into a authoritarian tendency: Maxformer cinema in 1947, had given itself this programmatic title two years before - as a radical reaction to the Grimm Brothers, whose dramatised and usually glossed fairy tales dominated the repertoire for mer 1971, after three further children at the time.

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Instead of Little Red Riding Hood or Rumpelstiltskin, the plays now had titles such as Daft is Daft, A Party at Papadakis's or Max and Milli .: With these and many such others, Volker Ludwig, a cofounder of the GRIPS artistic activity. Theatre, which he still runs, revolutionised the children's theatre, in collaboration with shafen/Rhine in 1937 and authors such as Raines Hach—grew up in Thuringia, didn't feld, Detlet Michel Stefan exactly inherit the makings of Reisner and Reiner Lucker. a cabaret artist, there is evi-They have made an enlightening utility-theatre out of a birth certificate: his real transfiguring magic box.

"different" children's theatre known cabaret artist. When outside the children's theatre oes back much tarther. however, and are to be found 1952 and young Volker began in cabaret and the student movement. Volker Ludwig tires, he had to adopt a nom sense; Birger Heymann com- the musical twice (in 1987/88 based on an autobiographical founded the "Reichskabarett" in 1965. "The idea of performing plays for children female editor advised him. underground and relates — in came from our close associa- "That's the most unvain thing a somewhat free and trivial

ment. It came into being at Eckart Hachfel Jr. now styled the same time as the Kinder-himself, did so well that he låden' (kindergartens based on anti-authoritarian princi-

ples)," he says.
The first première took place in June 1966: The Devil With the Three Red Haris. Something other than a fairy tale was still inconceivable at the time, even if many fea- cabaret artist Wolfgang. tures were taken over from It was not until 1969 that

Carsten Krüger, wrote a radio station, became a freerealistic play with an everyday background, with "imperfect" With this pretention, the. parents and a marked antiimilian Pfeiferling is the turbulent story of a young lad who fights against injustice and succeeds in encouraging the family to practise solidarity and civic courage. In sumplays, the ensemble, although successful, gave up cabaret and devoted their efforts entirely to children's and youth theatre. The political movement had fragmented; target groups and groundwork were the new maxims for their pioneer work was only gra-

Although Volker Ludwig, who was born in Ludwigdence to this effect on his the lamily moved to Berlin m writing squibs, songs and sa-

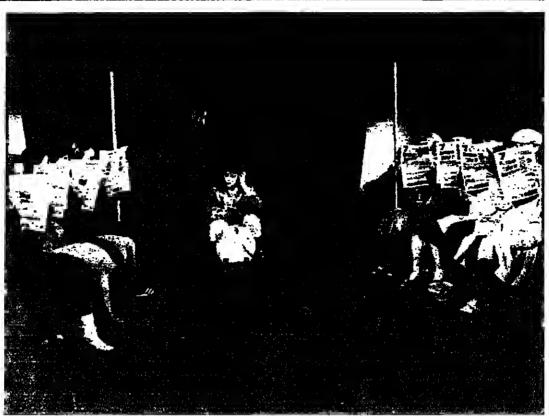
himself, did so well that he was able to afford a car on graduating from high school. He provided the Berlin "Stachel-Schwine" (cabaret ensemble) with their first numbers in 1959 and, shortly afterwards, the "Kom(m)odchen" in Düsseldorf and Neuss. He chucked his German and art history studies after nine semesters and, after Volker Ludwig, together with completing a traineeship at a

> lance writer. About half of the more than 40 plays performed by the GRIPS Theatre, and almost all the songs (over 300), were written by Volker Ludwig himself. The Goethe Institute has, dispatched him three times around the globe, his plays have been translated into 30 languages; his influence extends as far as Brazil, Indian and Australia. Various troupes have been sent to his seminars and workshops; they have adapted GRIPS plays and taken them as a model for their own productions. This dually recognised in Germany; it constantly came up against prejudices and resistance. Today, the GRIPS Theatre receives subsidies to the tune of DM 2 million: its ..

Volker Ludwig and "bis" name, Eckart Hachfeld, is GRIPS Theatre have experi-The beginnings of this also that of his father, a well- enced their greatest success rails at the Hansa-Platz in You Will Be Called Sara, was (Line 1). It is a station-bystation drama in the lexicalposed the music. The action "Take two first names," a takes place in the Berlin

annual budget comes to DM

3.6 million.



Linio 1 is one of the most successful theatrical preductions by the Internationally-famous Berlin GRIPS Thoatre. It talks the story of

a country girl seeking her prince

her prince charming."

tion is captivating because of also the story of the (Berlin) its rhythm and its abundant left-wing and its part in his charm, its joie de vivre and own biography — Volker the infamous "Berliner Luft" Ludwig continued along the (Berlin atmosphere).

April 1986. Since that time it completed in 1988 in colwith their musical Linic 1 has rolled over 50 or more laboration stages at home and abroad. Michel. The 33 Scenes in the Reinhard Hauff, who filmed life of a Berlin Woman are and 1988/89), has promoted account, entitled I Wore the the production to the hit of Yellow Star, by Inge Deutsch, the season.

theme of "country girl seeks its author, however. After er prince charming." writing "Eine Linke Ges-But in so doing, the produc-chichte" in 1980 — which is same lines he had followed. Linie 1 was first put on the with Linie 1: From Today WITH Deties wali on Nov. 9.

The triumph has not gone And, in spring 1990, the tion with the student move- to do." Volker Ludwig, as manner - a variation on the to the heads of the troupe and GRIPS Theatre produced a 

a journalist.

play in which Volker Ludwig and Reiner Lücker are following hot on the heels of recent history. Auf der Mauer Auf de Lauer (Lying in Wait on the Wall) recounts the fate of a girl who moves with her mother from East Berlin to West Berlin (via Prague) in September 1989 where she experiences the fall of the

charming in the underground

(subway), of all places. This music-

al for children was successfully

filmed by Reinhard Hauff in 1987.

Despite all the criticism about the way reality is dealt with, these three stage prodections represent a declaration of love for a city in which Volker Ludwig lives and wants to live: Berlin - IN

Malaysia\_ the land of many titles By Kenneth L. Whiting The Associated Press KUALA LUMPUR. Malaysia — Every Malay who is anybody has a title, from the Duli Yang Maha Muli Seri Paduka Baginda Yang Di-Pertuan Agong — that's the king — to each haji and haja

grimage to Mecca. Tun, Tan Seri and Datuk are among the many hereditary or conferred titles borne by leading citizens.

Proper ways of addressing a Malay are diverse and complicated. Family names are relatively unimportant as long as the title is used correctly. Improper usage cause. offense.

Some titles are gained at birth, others given as rewards Prime Minister Dato Seri for service to government or nation. To the ordinary Encik (mister), titles and forms of mad address can be confusing.

The king's title means, majesty" is usually enough. grandfather. The queen, or Seri Baginda Raja Permaisuri Agong, also is "your majesty."

ing a monarchy that rotates. A common compliment is among royal families. Nine of to call a man Dato before he the 13 states have royal fami- has been so designated. Feklies, whose leaders take turns object, except the very being king of the entire nation modest. for five years.

lem when Malaysia shed colo- June, is the conferment of nial ties with Britain in 1957. the other eight as permanent with. Datuk in the majority. king and Tunku Abdul Rah-

usually are called Tunku or Tengku, loosely equivalent to royal descent.

Niks and Megats are those with royal blood on the mother's side. Syeds and their female counterparts, Sharifahs, claim to be directly descended from the Prophet Mohammad, from royal families of the Malay archipelago, or both.

A man honoured for distinguished service to the nation becomes a Tun and his wife a Toh Puan. The title is Malaysia's highest order of chivalry, limited to 25 living

When Prime Minister Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir Mahammad retires, officials say, he probably will become Tun Mahathir. He is a medical doctor and was made a Dato Seri years ago for his contributions to public life.

The non-hereditary title Tan Seri is given to the recipient of either of Malaysia's two second-highest orders of chivalry for non-royals.



Dr. Mahathir Moham-

Dutuks, and the variants Datuk Seri and Dato, are approximately, "This most mumerous and their wives are glorious majesty who is raised Datins. The title is non-heremost high." In English, "your ditary and its basic meaning is

In higher social circles. practically everybody is a Datuk, whether Malay, . Malaysia is unique in hav- chinese or Indian.

The highlight of the king's . Passing the throne around official birthday, celebrated solved sticky protocol prob- on the first Wednesday of hundreds of awards and titles. None of the nine state rulers Hundreds more, are issued would have been accepted by each year by the 13 states,

Tuan means sir in Malay. man, who was prime minister, and is used informally to divised the method of sharing address an elderly person or someone of prominence or Children of the state rulers wealth. Tuan Yang Terutama, the Malay translation of excellency, is applied to heads of prince or princess. Tunku diplomatic missions and the Rahman, for example, is of governors of the four states without royal families.

> Puan, or madame, often is used to refer to married women. A single woman is called Cik.

Haji and Hajah are the titles for men and women who have made a pilgrimage, to Mecca.

In Malay usage, Bin means "son of" and Binte means "daughter of." The part of the name before it is the given name, and the part after is the name of the person's father.

Names can be as confusing as titles. The prime minister is Mahathir Mohammad, the information minister is Mohammad Rahmat and thousands of others spell the name Mohamat, Muhamat, Muhhammad and even Mohd.

In 1988, the government decreed the offical version of the prophet's name to be Muhammad. Those already born and named with other spellings were excused from compliance.

IT is one of man's leading conveyors of culture - and yet it is treated day by day by everyone as if it were nothing: paper is patient and trivial yet indispensable and irreplaceable. It has only been known in Germany for 600 years - ever since its manufacture was started by Ulman Stromer from Nuremberg. He established the first pap-

er mill in Germany in 1390, an. event considered so important that there was an illustration. of it in the "Schedelsche Weltchronik" of 1493.

In honour of paper and its 600th anniversary, a major art-historical exhibition is being held at Faber-Castell Castle in Stein, near Nuremberg, whence it will go on tour in other cities in the Federal Republic. The organiser of the exhibition is Jürgen Franzke, from the Museum of Industrial Culture, Nuremberg.

Entitled "Zauberstoff Papier", the exhibition is being financed entirely by sponsors; the accompanying booklet - which is more detailed and informative than the actual exhibition - describes the development of paper and its diverse uses for mankind.

In the beginning, man "wrote" on rock walls, pieces of bark, papyrus or perchment — until paper came from China to Italy via the "silk route." This was taken up in the Central European trading metropolis of Nurem- printing. And the fact that

in paper and rag mills, thus' tradition is not least shown by creating the first paper. This is Its rotogravure industry - the demonstrated at the exhibition in the form of portrayals Europe. and illustrations, models and traditional equipment, and, above all, attention is drawn to the artistic and characteristic\_watermarks of paper - of great importance nowadays for establishing the date of the

It was not until 1789 - the year of the French Revolution - in other words, four hundred years later, that the first. paper machine was developed in France, to this day the archtype of mechanical paper production.

One special section of the exhibition shows what has been done on paper, this highly valuable, almost artistic material: entitled "The Art of Writing", examples of precious miniatures and manuscripts, coloured initials and Asiatic calligraphy are displayed. Naturally, writing. utensils -- from quill to brush, pencil to fountain pen are also dealt with.

The step from writing to printing on paper, first under taken by Gutenberg in Mainz with his movable type, was, admittedly, only small -- but of great significance. The Gutonberg Bible offers typical ples of this — as do woodcuts and engravings, and all imaginable printed-illustration techniques - up to the present-day surface printing, rotogravure and planographic

berg where rags were crushed Nuremberg is cultivating its largest on the continent of

> The Nuremberg exhibition - somewhat sparsely appointed here and there shows how paper can provide the means for an artistic arrangement or a thoughtlessly-used accessory: from paper handkerchief to artistically-decorated napkin, from tablecloth to envelope - the spectrum of paper usage and wastage, particularly evident in the packaing industry, in everyday life is broad. The exhibition's display of

cartons and folders, boxes and carrier bags, cases and paper containers of every type clearly illustrates that life is just as valueless without paper as the scrap of paper this is being written on - or being read. One is constantly surrounded by paper at the exhibition. The latter's architecture, the booths and screens, are made of cardboard in all possible shades, colours and varia-

One section of the exhibition is devoted to an art which would not get beyond inten-tion and idea without paper. It is here that the exhibition lives up to its claim "Paper - a magic material" with attractive examples, and transports us into another world: Beuys merely cut a radio, telephones and record hole, the silhouette of a players, television sets and sheep's head, in a piece of paper and created art, Christo wrapped a statue in paper, paper — and silent.



elevating it to the status of a and Kenneth Noland experimented with paper dipped

in paint and then pressed. Andreas Von Weizsäcker's environment "Großstadt-Musikanten" (Big City Musicians) takes noise-producers --- such as car-exhausts and joudspeakers — ad absurdum; they are all life-size, made of

Woodcat showing work in a paper mill, Frankfurt, 1568. A happening with 'Paper

work of art. Ellsworth Kelly Music" - torn, shaken, crumpled and hung in the wind — is still to come, just as Miro Dopitas's featherweight paper figures are still not floating upwards in the marble stairwell of the castle, and the large paper letters in the castle grounds are still not turning around on their axis.

> Last but not least, one unique feature of this exhibition is the accompanying booklet: Press.

a printing masterpiece by Buchdruckerei W. Tümmels, it contains individual contributions on 18 different sorts of paper; a haptic as well as an optical pleasure.

There is little room for boredom at this exhibition --which is anything but "bookish"; nevertheless, anyone feeling weary can rest a while on the seating accommodation — made of paper — IN

### THOUGHT FOR THIS WEEK

My life's dream has been a perpetual nightmare -Francois Marie Arouet de Voltaire, French writer (1694-

The sun also shines on the wicked - Seneca, Roman scholar (about 54 B.C. - 39 A.D.).

Art may make a suit of clothes, but nature must produce a man — David Hume, Scottish philosopher (1711-1776).

To recommend thrift to the poor is like advising a man who is starving to eat less — Oscar Wilde, Irish-born writer (1845-1990).

### JTV CHANNEL 2 WEEKLY PREVIEW

Thursday Aug. 16

8:30 A Different World

Our hero is running for the student-government election. After a few hassles he decides to withdraw from the race, but upon hearing Rev. Jesse Jackson's speech he changes his mind.

9:10 Sherlock Holmes The Devil's Foot

While Mr. Holmes is enjoying his vacation in Cornwell, he is asked to look into a difficult case by a friend who had one brother killed and one gone mad. Holmes investigation proves to be a clever one.

10:00 News in English 10:20 Movie of the Week Jailhouse Rock Starring: Elvis Presley and Judy Tyler

Elvis's classic film captures the legend all his nostril-flaring, pre-army glory. Elvis learns to pick a guitar in iail later becomes a big success, and with success his character changes.

Friday Aug. 17

8:30 Coach

Coach "Hayden" is being overprotective of his daughter "kelly" and even asks her to drop her boyfriend "Stewart." Kelly fights back ferociously and announces her intention of getting married to Stewart.

9:10 Midnight Caller Protection

Jack wants to protect Perry and his wife. 2 eyewitnesses to a crime. Perry is somewhat uncooperative and is murdered; and Jack is unable to prevent his wife from avenging her husband's murder.

10:00 News in English

QUIRKY QUOTES By Jeanne Wilson

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Jack Killian (Gary Cole) and Devon King (Wendy Kilbourne) in Midnight Caller Friday at

another female detective on

Monday Aug. 20

8:30 Perfect Strangers

Here Comes the Judge

Larry is accused of misus-

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sources. The management

forms a probing committee,

and Larry promptly sum-

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When "Telly Adams"

dies her house is swarmed

with relatives looking for

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documents, and sure enough

Murder, Smoke and Sha-

Alex is a young and intelligent film producer with

a promising future. An old

friend of his shows up with

an incriminating evidence and spoils his ride on suc-

cess, Alex kills him and the

murder brings in Colombo.

Sophia is telling the rest

about how, back in the 50's,

she managed to gather extra

money to buy a TV set. This

prompts them to think of a

Edited by Herb Ettenson

Tuesday Aug. 21

8:30 Golden Girls

One for the Money

a murder is committed.

10:00 News in English

10:20 Mystery Movie

Starring: Peter Falk

9:10 Marder She Wrote

the scene.

his innocence.

"Michael" is on the case; in the course of the investigation Michael gets to like John's mother. They fail to trap the kidnapper and an 11 year old girl is found dead.

Saturday Aug. 18

8:30 Joint Account

Belinda is having problems with her boss, David arrives in the nick of time to stop Cupid from shooting his arrows at his wife.

9:100 Local Programme

9:30 Classical Music

10:00 News in English

10:20 Feature Film Shooting Stars

Three teenagers kidnap a famous foothall star in Hamburg and ask for a ransom, but our star manages to escape and refuse to turn them in since they are so young and inexperienced.

Sunday Aug. 19

8:30 Hey Dad 9:10 Path of the Rain God

10:00 News in English

10:20 Hunter Unfinished Business

Hunter and McCall are 10:20 No More Dying Then not getting along fine; it probably has something to do with the arrival of

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similar method to make

9:10 Heart of the High Country

Ceci's daughter is back; a tragic accident kills many miners. The company goes bankrupt, Ceci's third husband dies and Ceci goes back to the farm where she finds a surprise.

10:00 News in English 10:20 Paradise The Promise

While Ethan and his nephews lose their way in the desert, they come across a dying woman and make for a promise to get her baby to Paradise. They make good on their promise.

11:10 Allo Allo

Michelle comes up with a plan to sneak the British pilots out of the country .. with a big helium balloon.

Wednesday Aug. 22

8:30 A Family For Joe Nick's Heart

Joe discovers that Tracv. Nick's friend, is keen on drinking, and doesn't take kindly to that. Joe tries violence and when that doesn't work, he resorts to lecturing and it works.

9:10 Documentary All Our Children

The documentary discuss the case of six families, from different countries, expecting babies to be born and all the problems related to that. Everyday a quarter of a million babies are born around the world.

10:00 News in English

10:20 Intimate Contact

Ruth decides that it is better to fight the disease in public instead of concealing it. So she adopts a plan to fight the disease and goes out of her way to enforce her plan.

### Macho Man

By E. Yaghi

Mansour is a hero. He is a gallant model of bravery, a fine example for neighbours, relatives and most of all his small children. He is very proud of his self-imposed outstanding record of achievement as a dutiful loving husband. Unfortunately he lacks a plaque or memorial in his name to commemorate his good deeds.

He is almost a Rambo-type person although he fails somewhat in the physical particulars as he is kind of puny. But he does have huge muscles which though invisible can be seen by cat scan, bulging inwardly somewhere in the

vicinity of his little tiny brain.

What made Mansour such a hero? What made him so famous? What made him the envy of relatives and neighbours alike? What is the secret behind macho man? It is all quite simple. He knew who to pick on, who to fight with, on whom to prove his bravery. He chose his wife as his combatant. Against her, he planned strategic battles. He launched offensive attacks and was a mastermind in striking dangerous missions towards the fearful enemy, his helpless wife.

One night, in the heat of battle and peak of victory, Mansour sent a flying missile (formerly known as "shoe") in the direction of his wife's head. Said missile was successfully on target and mission accomplished. The flying missile cut deep into her forehead. Then macho man, to ensure victory, punched his mate with hard blows that he had perfected in his many years of conflict with his eternal

When his wife left in defeat to her father's house, Mansour was satisfied and very pleased with himself. He threw out his small children after her, for he didn't believe in dealing with the enemy. He was really a tough guy! He strutted around his empty house in pride and confidence, eagerly awalting the next day when he could boast of his clever war manoeuvres and how he finally ousted his enemy from his territory. The blood that congulated on the cold floor was only proof of his extreme courage in the face of danger, and to top it all, he emerged from the battle

without a scratch.

Next day, Mansour bragged with pride to anyone who would listen. He became the talk of neighbours and relatives and of course any fault in his marriage was certainly his wife's, because she was a woman and what are women anyway? Some thought they were somewhere in an undefined "Twilight Zone" between animal and human. Quite ridiculous! She had shared a house with him, had her own key (imagine), was married (how lucky), and still alive (what nerve). The very ideal Some women never appreciate their many blessings.

When one concerned relative asked macho man why his wife was evicted to her father's house he heatedly remarked, "well, she's very stubborn and when I beat her,

Naturally, no woman should ever cuss her husband, not even if he kills her. Such flagrant: violation of the international code of marriage. Any decent woman would appreciate her husband's beatings because that meant he loved her and cared about her and beating was his way of showing his concern. After all, he wanted to make her a better person, more in the direction of perfection, following in his perfect footsteps. A good wife would thank her husband after each severe beating, dry her tears and wash away the blood and go on with the cooking and cleaning as any housemaid should.

Mansour is contemplating another marriage. It must be soon. He is bored without combat duty. He needs new action. Rumour has it that he might marry the desperate maid across the street, but she couldn't be that desperate.

Macho man can still be seen strutting up and down streets. Very brave, very proud, yet waiting for a trophy or some sort of medal for his gallantry. Every once in a while he flexes his invisible inward muscles hidden in his head and he feels very macho. His wife and children remain ousted and awalt their final judgement.

In spite of the fact that he had to pay for broken windows and doors where he rents, Mansour doesn't care about meager material loss for such is the sacrifice of battle and this is the stuff heroes are made of.

### THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

Thursday, Aug. 16

1953 - Attempted royalist coup begins in Persia.

1956 - First London conference to discuss Suez Canal is boycotted by Egypt's President Gamai Abdul Nasser.

1960 - Britain grants independence to crown colony of Cyprus, with Archbishop Makarios as president.

1962 - Agreement is signed in London for Aden to enter Federation of South Arabia. Algeria is admitted to Arab League. Mont Blanc tunnel in Alps is completed as French and Italian workers meet under Western Europe's highest peak.

1964 - Major General Nguyen Khan takes over presidency of South Vietnam, ousting Major General Duong Van Minh. 1969 - Britain completes

troop movement into Northern Ireland to help quell fighting between Roman Catholics and Protestants. 1972 — Morocco's King

Hassan II escapes assassination attempt by Moroccan Air Force jets over Rabat. 1974 — Turkish invaders of

Cyprus complete division of island into two areas and declare ceasefire. 1986 - Protesters attack

government buildings, burn vehicles and clash with anthorities in Pakistan, and 12 people are wounded during scattered riots.

1987 — Solidarity leader Lech Walesa says his outlawed labour movement is still alive and active. 1988 - Burmese author-

ities release 51 people arrested during previous week's anti-government demonstrations in Rangoon

1989 - Palestinians in Gaza Strip call for two-week boycott of jobs in Israel to protest computerised identity cards for day labourers.

Friday, Aug. 17

1912 - Britain sends note warning China against sending military expedition to 1920 — Romania joins

Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia in alliance which becomes Triple Entente. 1943 - Allied forces gain

complete control in Sicily in World War II. 1945 — Dutch refuse to recognise independent In-

donesia Republic. Provisional

Gaulle commutes death sentence of World Warr II collaborator Henri Philippe Petain to life imprisonment. 1964 - Congolese Premier

Moise Tshombe appeals to five African nations to help put down rebellion in the Congo.

1974 — Turkish ceasefire that was declared on Cyprus in Germany. breaks down with new thrust southward by Turkish invaders.

1976 —Earthquake that break out in Morocco. caused tidal wave on Philippine island of Mindanao leaves estimated 8,000 people

dead or missing. 1985 - Auto packed with dynamite explodes outside crowded supermarket in Lebanon's christian east Beirut, killing at least 50 peo-

ple and wounding 80. 1986 - Rescuers continue evacuating by boat more than 100,000 people marooned in flood-swept southeastern 1987 — Former Nazi depu-

1988 — Pakistan's President Zia Ul-Haq and U.S. Ambassador Amold Raphel are killed when their Pakistani military plane explodes.

ty Fuehrer Rudolf Hess dies

Monday, Aug. 20

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of pacification with Scotland. 1791 - Alaska is discovered by Danish navigator mese rally in Rangoon to Vitus Jonas Bering.

1886 — Successful military restore multi-party demo-French President Charles de coup is launched in Sofia, cracy.

> 1908 - Belgium's King veals deadliest weapon in its Leopold II hands over the Congo to Belgian govern- nosed bomber which NATO

1918 — British offensive on Western front opens in World War I.

1946 --- Allied control commission dissolves Wehrmacht

1953 — France deposes Sultan of Morocco.

1955 — Anti-French riots 1962 - Malta requests in-

dependence within British Commonwealth on breakdown of talks for financial aid. 1968 - Soviet Union and

other Warsaw Pact nations invade Czechoslovakia to crush Alexander Dubcek's liberal regime. 1971 - Leaders of Libya,

Egypt and Syria sign constitu-

tion designed to bind their

countries in Federation of

1940 - Leon Trotsky. Communist revolutionary. dies of wounds inflicted by assassin in Mexico City. 1968 - Soviet forces

1975 - U.S. spaceship

bound for planet Mars is laun-

ched from Cape Canaveral,

announces new concession,

giving urban blacks full title to

1986 - Gunbattle erupts

between police and anti-gov-

ernment protesters in Islama-bad, Pakistan, and at least

one man is killed.

1987 — Treasure hunters

fortune in jewels.

pressure the government to

air force arsenal - needle-

Tuesday Aug. 21

calls the Blackjack.

1988 - Thousands of Bur-

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1976 — South Africa

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occupying Czechoslovakia seize liberal Communist leader Alexander Dubcek. 1983 — Philippine opposition leader Benigno Aquino is assassinated as he steps from

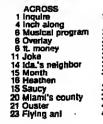
plane in Manila after three

years of self-imposed exile in United States. 1985 - Leftists march on Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos' palace as tens of thousands of other Filipinos stage largest anti-government

protests in a year.

By the Associated Press

### Diagramiess 21 X 21, By Martha J. De Witt



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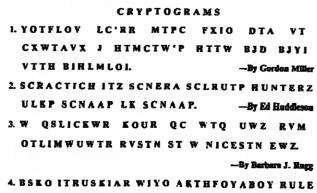
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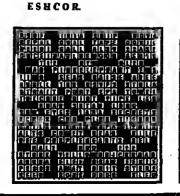
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Last Week's Cryptograms

Old joke: Customer: "What is this bug doing in my soup?" Grumpy waiter: "Looks just like the backstroke."
 Redheaded widow eats sizzling pizza loaded with real hot peppers.

grouns.

3. Above everything else, parents are simply not obliged to make their







### Family connections | Kurosawa's new film takes anti-nuclear stance — heaviest burden for Michael Penn

By Beth Harris The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS -- Michael Penn carries the heaviest of show business burdens family connections.

And when one of your relatives has a reputation as a hotheaded bully, the load of expectations doesn't get much

But the older brother of actors Sean and Christopher Penn has caught the public's attention with his debut album March, a collection of songs about failed relationships set to a folksy sound that has been compared to the

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At 30, Penn knows a thing or two about failure. He's now coming into his own after 12 years of trying to land a record deal.

After graduating from San-ta Monica High School, Penn spent seven years kicking around the Los Angeles club scene with a band called Doll Congress. At the same time, his then sister-in-law, Madonna, was becoming the pop sensation of the 1980s.

"We kept getting so close to getting a deal where labels were interested and giving us money to go into the studio. It never happened, and yet we still stayed together because it was enough of an encouragement to keep plugging away," he said.

"I think it was when I came to the realisation that I was not completely happy with the way things were going that it finally broke up.

Penn left the band in 1987 and took keyboardist Patrick Warren with him. The pair met when Warren answered a newspaper advertisement placed by Penn.

Their collaboration peaked in Penn's four-track home studio, where he wrote the songs that eventually would end up on March. He turned the results over to his manager, who brought the tape to the attention of RCA.

"Unlike every other time where there was like a lot of anticipation around a tape, this time I just sort of said, here's some new stuff. I'm going to go back and work on some more stuff, do with it month, he'll wrap up the club what you will.' In a couple of tour with Lloyd Cole that brought weeks, we started to get him to Indianapolis. phone calls," he said, unfolding a tobacco-filled bandana ten for his next album, and he

first single, rose to NO. 13 on ber.

the charts, and the video received major exposure on the Music Television Network. Two other singles, This And That and Brave New World. have received extensive air-

The Album's title doesn't have anything to do with the month of March either, said Penn, whose casual attire of a tank top, blue jeans and cowboy boots kept him out of a restaurant's dining room during a recent interview.

It was a realisation while making the record that I have this subconscious tendency to write marches," he said.

Despite his resemblance to Sean, Madonna's pugnacious former husband, it's the family name that brings up the comparisons and inevitable jokes about his brother.

"What's been interesting to me is that a lot of the press gets frazzled by the fact that they couldn't make an issue out of it. The fact that it wasn't an issue became the issue they wrote about because they had to find some way to include it," he said.

Even talk-show host David Letterman couldn't resist. Penn sat down to chat in his second appearance on the show and immediately got

"So, how old were you when Sean threw his first punch?" Letterman teased as Penn managed a half-smile.

Penn says his family has rallied together in the face of a hostile celebrity press and public. His father, Leo, is a veteran television director and his mother. Eileen Ryan. is an actress.

He hasn't ruled out the possibility of having his father direct him in a video. And his youngest brother is singing,

While other family members were acting, Penn was busy practicing guitar licks in the garage with his first band tior high.

That's what I did as a kid. I never got into sports or anything else. I just bought

Penn began the summer as Tears For Fears' opening act tour of outdoor venues. This

He's got half the songs writand Warren might head out "No myth," the album's on an acoustic tour in Octo-

By Yoshiko Mori Reuter

HAKONE, Japan -- Akira Kurosawa, Japan's most internationally acclaimed director, has said he would take an anti-nuclear stance in his latest project — Rhapsody In August starring American actor Richard Gere.

Kurosawa, 80, told reporters in this mountain resort near Tokyo that he was halfway through production of his 29th film, to be completed this October.

It will be his first fully lapanese-financed film in 20

"(It) is about a series of mysterious events that happen to an 80-year-old woman and her four grandchildren who spend their summer holidays in a remote farming village," said Kurosawa.

"The underlying theme is about the tragedy of nuclear

"It's been 45 years since the end of the war but radioactivity is still killing people off," panies. said Kurosawa.

More than 140,000 people were killed when a U.S. plane dropped an atomie bomb on the western Japanese city of Hiroshima on Aug. 6, 1945. A second bomb was drop-

ped on Nagasaki three days later, killing some 70,000 people. The film will also star Sachi-

ko Murase, 85, who attended

the news conference along

with Gere. Gere, 40-year-old star of American Gigolo and An Officer and a Gentleman, paid tribute to his director.

"Kurosawa's films are very gentle and sensitive, and feature such emotions like gratitude, forgiveness and tenderness," said Gere, who plays the old woman's nephew, a Japanese-American of mixed

Kurosawa's son Hisao, the producer, told reporters the film was being backed by Shochiku, one of Japan's four

It was the first such major investment by a Japanese firm, he said.

"It's so difficult raising funds in Japan for my films, Kurosawa commented.

A Shochiku representative declined to comment on the film's budget which industry sources estimate at around 1.5 billion yen (\$10 million).

Asked if he thought the Japanese andience was ready for his films again, the director replied: "I think it's still going to take some time."

Kurosawa won popular acclaim in Japan for his 1943 movie called Sanshiro Sugata (The Judo Saga), the first film he directed. A string of films he directed in the 1950s, beginning with Rashomon in 1950, earned him fame

But since his 1970 movie Dodeskaden, flopped, Kurosawa has had to seek financial backing outside Japan.

Kurosawa received an honorary Oscar on March 26 in



Akiro Kurosawa

Los Angeles for lifetime achievement.

His films have given other in the United States as The first so-called spaghetti west-

came The Magnificent Seven, His Rashomon, was remade and Yojimbo, became the directors a rich source for Outrage, Seven Samurai be- ern, A Fistful of Doilars.

### World renowned Argentine theatre reopens

By Margaret Henry The Associated Press

**BUENOS AIRES, Argentine** - Colon Theatre, the worldrenowned opera house, is back in business after renovation and labour disputes kept its stage almost bare for two seasons.

When the curtain belatedly went up on Gounod's Faust, m mid-July, moviemaker and Colon Director Sergio Renan said with relief, "it was a kind of compensation for a lot of headaches."

machine that rotates the sets, and other renovations were stretched out by Argentina's recession and inflation that nearly reached 5,000 per cent

A short-lived production of "Aida" was performed last year in between repairs.

The fall season normally begins in April. However. 1990 subscriptions were initially refunded and Faust. was pushed back. As the new opening date of July 19 drew

theatre would be ready in

"Until the premiere of Faust, until one day before, they had a very skeptical attitude," Renan said.

The work of French composer Charles Gounod was chosen, Renan said, to give Buenos Aires' opera lovers the big production they longed for.

With special effects such as lightning and billowing smoke, the opera also gave music carried clearly from the performances were offered formed at the Colon since its

ing system, repair of the wondered if the 82-year-old off its improvements, includ- novators having taken great tion that began in December ing a computer-controlled system to move sets up, down and sideways quickly and

> The 4-and-1-2-hour opening night performance drew women in furs and jewels with tuxedoed companions, watching from red-velvet box seats which cost the equivalent of about \$50.

> High above, the less wealthy may not have been able to see as well. But voices and

pains to preserve the theatre's exceptional acoustics. Critics gave the lead singers

fair to good reviews. The real star was the theatre itself. The 1990 season includes

seven more operas, one with U.S. guest star Leona Mitchell. Ballets include Sleeping Beauty with Soviet dancer Ludmila Semeniaka, and Carmen with Bolshoi ballerina Maya Plisetskaya.

A few concerts and dance near, opera and dance lovers the Colon a chance to show stage and orchestra pit, re- during the \$5-million renova-

1987. For opera lovers, however, the Colon is only now returning to life.

"But what I would say is the theatre's essential link with the community - opera and ballet — was interrupted." said Renan.

Anna Pavlova, Arture Tescanini, Enrico Caruso, Maria Calles, Mikhail Baryshnikov, Igor Stravinsky — the greats in ballet, opera and music of the 20th-century have perinauguration in 1908.

### Jazz great Jackie McLean makes comeback

Jackie McLean is back on the mercial success. road that took him to fame as one of Jazz's greatest alto

axophonists. McLean, 58, a tecnage pro-1950s but his career later suf- Club in New York. fered through years of neglect

dropped out of the jazz scene Collective, a programme for happened to many great jazz

Hartford in Connecticut which meant relative obscur-NEW YORK - After two ity for him, although many of ral programme. decades as a forgotten figure, his imitators enjoyed com-

changing, however. The saxophonist has a new album out and recently performed a cri- years ago they didn't have tege of the legendary Charlie tically acclaimed week-long Parker, won acclaim in the stand at the Village Vanguard

"It's a strange world," said by the record industry and a McLean. "I've been ignored, battle against heroin addic- but I've managed to keep. making a contribution my He turned his life around in own way. I built an institution the early 1970s, when he in Hartford called the Artists'

to teach at the University of young people that teaches dance, music, drama and the visual arts, an inner-city cultu-

"I'm the chairman of the Hartford, a full professor. When I went to the school 20 that department, so I built that. Those two things have been very important to me. Of course I've been playing all along."

If McLean is bitter about the treatment he's received. it's tempered by the knowledge that the same thing has "I don't feel bad," he said.

African American Musie De- last ten years of (Thelonious) ence, struggling to survive, started playing again." McLean's fortunes are partment at the University of monk's life he spend in total sometimes suffering from the seclusion. McLean grew up in the

sugar hill section of Harlem. By the age of 15 he was playing the sax and emulating and turned his life around. "I tainly working with young the style of tenor players like didn't play at all between '70 people is rewarding, as re-Dexter Gordon and Lester and '72 because I had so much warding to me as any records. Powell, jammed with Monk he said. and substituted for Parker when the saxophonist couldn't

was playing with Miles Davis. During the 1950s and 1960s,

McLean stopped drugtaking at the end of the 1960s ends," he explained. "Cer-Young. He studied with Bud else I was beginning to do," I'm a survivor. They may

sed by police.

starting to develop the prog-ramme at the University of "I'm in good company. They in between recording a series Hartford. I picked up the ignored Charlie Parker, they of magnificent records, he horn again in '73. It was ignored Herbie Nichols, the lived a roller-coaster exist- rough, but 1 picked it up and

> McLean is able to juggle his effects of heroin, and haras- role as teacher with the demands of playing.

"It's rewarding on both ignore me but I'm still here. I "I was connselling drug 'm in good shape, I'm workaddicts, and at the same time I ing hard on my music. I'm was starting to develop the practising hard and I hope I'll Before he was 20, McLean Artists' Collective. I was also get better and better."

# 150th anniversary of Caspar David Friedrich's death

### The painter who looks into himself

By Amine Hasse

NOVALIS, the Romantic poet, defined the basic principle of "romanticising" as follows: "Endowing the ordinary with a loftier significance, the everyday with a semblance of mystery, the familiar with the dignity of the unknown, and the finite with features of the

Caspar David Friedrich demanded of a work of art: "Elevation of the spirit and even if not solely and exclu-

sively — religious uplift." There are numerous paralles between Novalis, who died at the age of 28, and Friedrich, who passed away after two strokes on May. 7, 1810. aged 66. Caspar David Friedrich philosophised: "Thus prays the devout person, without saying a word, and the highest on high hearshim; thus paints the feeling artist and the feeling person understands and recognises this, and even the less sensitive person has at least an

inkling." For a long time, however, neither the "sensitive" nor the "less sensitive" art lover had an nkling of artist Friedrich's day-dreams of infinity. He had sunk into oblivion long

ary, published in the "Kunstblatt" on May 9, 1840, reads as follows: 'His life was one long misfortune. The memory sees in himself." of his brother, who was drowned whilst skating - despite Friedrich's efforts to save him - cast a deep shadow over his whole life because he held himself responsible for his brother's death. He fled from his home (Dresden) with no visible said. means of support and kept himself initially by colouring inferior views of Dresden for a picture dealer — until his own landscape paintings gradually earned him a reputation. His works were now highly regarded and much sought-after; he could have lived free from worry with his family if he had not been so excessively generous to per-

inactive for years." Friedrich revolutionised landscape painting, the traces' of which lasted into the 20th century. His landscape is a symbol, a metaphor, a message; it opens onto an "inner dimension,"it is the object of forgot him, Friedrich is a pattern of diagonals and sea): "When you look at this

sons in need and had not been

so often imposed upon. In the

best years of his life, his

physical debility made him

before his death. His obitu- contemplation, not sensual experience. "The artist should movement of the 20th centurnot only paint what he sees ay. His pictures of mist before him but also what he

"Close your physical eye so that you may look at your picture with your spiritual eye. Then bring to daylight what you have seen in the darkness. In that way, the image may act on whoever beholds it from the outside (Greifswald), came here towards the inside," Friedrich

The spatial correlation is shattered in Friedrich's paintings; the construed spaces of Piero Della Francesca or Hubert Van Eyck have been destroyed; the idealistic and elevated landscapes of Claude Lorráin or Nicolas Poussin are questioned; the realism of the Dutch school is doubted.

Friedrich's technique of layer - like spaces - based on seemingly mathematical principles - enables the invention of landscape spaces which are health began to fail and his pure atmosphere, light and air turned into coulour - like William Turner and the Impressionists. But they open up onto a world of symbols which can only be discovered by directing the glance inwards.
Whereas his contempor-

prompt sensitive beholders of painting to follow traces to Mark Rothko or Gotthard Graubner. The twin source of creativeness — mathematical. principle and poetie transcendence - permits a diversity of interpretations and perspectives in regard to Caspar David Friedrich's painting

its secret.

Just as Novalis wanted to see language structured like "mathematical formulae," Friedrich's paintings are often subjected to a geometric pattern which allocates every object in the picture to its own place. Diagonals, ellipses, parallels provide the invented spaces with support - as one would never see them in reality. And they determine the metaphoric dimensions of the landscapes - without having to call in crosses, ruins or ravens. The ground is cut

and, at the same time, guards

The view opens up onto the infinite - inwardly, into in- Heinrich von Kleist's reaction

from beneath the viewer's

claimed by almost every art semicircles which directs the glance from the dizzy heights of the cliffs into the sea below. The painting is a reminiscence of Friedrich's honeymoon in the summer of 1818, following his marriage to Caroline Bommer on 21 January. The two men in the foreground are often referred to ironically as a donble portrait of Friedrich himself - as painter and hus-

> of Mist, likewise dates from 1818. The figure, with his back to the viewer, is centrally situated - where all structural lines converge. The beholder must — perforce — adopt the Walker's viewpoint and is thus centrally placed in this experience of nature. The latter is spread out before him like an alter. "God is everywhere, in the finest grain of sand...," Friedrich wrote in his diary.

Monk By the Seashore. (1808-10) is undoubtedly the painting in which Friedrich confronts the viewer most radically with the cosmos. One can still her the echoes of to this painting (consisting of Chalk Cliffs of Rugen four-fifths sky and one-fifth aries and the next generation (1818) is a typical example of narraw strip of beach and

His Walker Through a Sea

been cut off." This nocturnal as if frozen — eerie.

The Polar Sea (1823-24) is tray the major crises in naindeed a frozen landscape; ice ture." floes and the piled-up wreck- The painting, which bears age of a ship, on top of one the subtitle The Wreck of the another -- against the back- Hoffnung, has often been ground of a cold, blue sky given a political interpreta-



The Polar Sea (1823-24) is one of the best known works by

Romantic painter, Casper Devid

picture you have the impress- above the white frozen sea. ion that your eyelids have David d'Anger, the French sculptor, was very impressed work is dramatic - the pale by Friedrich's paintings. He beach, the lonesome, human described the German artist figure, the dark sea, the magic as the "man who discovered glow of the clouds - behind the tragedy of landscape" and which one suspects the moon. said: 'Friedrich has a sombre But it is without movement, soul. He has fully grasped the fact that landscape can por-

tion: It is an allegory, following the war of liberation against Napoleon, of the resignation resulting from the failure to estab :h internal political freedom -is-a-vis the

sovereign princes. Friedrich's paintings are nocturnal plants, products of mesmerised fear, creatures born in the proximity of death. That they still prompt us to dream may well stem from the fact that they do not betray their secret - IN

## Scientists reverse cancer in laboratory

By Wilson Da Silva Reuter

SYDNEY - Scientists in Australia, claiming a world breakthrough, said Thursday they had for the first time reversed the growth of cancer cells by "switching off" the gene that caused the disease.

Professor Hiroto Naora of ine Australian National University in Canberra told Reuters a genetic engineering procass developed by this group had dramatically reversed the growth of fibrosarcoma cancer in a laboratory culture

The process worked quickly and was so thorough the cancer cells were quickly restored to a normal and benign state.

The five-person team introduced a gene close to a cancer-causing oncogene and used a biochemical trigger to

This provoked a battel between the two in which the quiescent gene deformed the rogue oncogene and rendered inactive.

(Naora) likens it to ninja said university

spokeswoman Maureen Barnett, referring to the popular

"You arm the genes, send

Naora said his five-member which have a genetic arrangement similar to humans, result is very exciting for us."

There was no reason why teenage mutant ninja tur- the process could not be used tles" children's television to control human cancers, Naora said. The first effects on cancer genes in the dish them in and they win the were apparent within hours,

We've got to do a lot of team had also switched off basic research before it can be oncogenes in laboratory mice applied to human cancer genes," he said. "But this

The breakthrough, the re-Further testing was under sult of six years of genetic way to check whether the tinkering, was the first time a mice cancer cells also reverted cancer gene had been deactiwere first detected six months oncogene. ago, Naora said.

The researchers stressed that both the trigger gene and the oncogene were artificially placed near each other.

In theory the trigger could be inserted in a naturally occurring cancer and actidifficult clinical process.

There are 30 known human oncogenes, and the researchers said it would be much easier for them to find 10 years.

vated and reversed in a natuarily occurring trigger laboratory. Positive results genes than insert one near the

> The mechanism was compa rable to the ecological principle that no two species can occupy the same niche in nature, Naora said.

A Japanese citizen who has worked in Australia for 20 years, Naora leads a team vated, but this would be a made up of Chinese and Australian researchers. They said the discovery was in its early stages and may not lead to

clinical application for eight to

### Artificial inner ear transplants help the stone deaf

By Hans Edzard Busemann transplant consists ( a a receiv-Nordwest Zeitung

It was wonderful, says Roswitha Liebeck, 20. "It was marvellous to hear a door closing, bells ringing and a helicopter flying overhead again.

She had been totally deaf for six months after an infiammation of the middle ear and is delighted with the artificial inner ear she has been using for several weeks after a transplant operation.

She was training to be a draughtsman but had to coancon that idea on turning deaf. She is one of one in six people who are either deaf or hard of hearing in the Federal

Republic of Germany. A special unit at Hanover medical callage tries to help the totally deaf. A team of doctors led by Professor Ernst Lehnhardt do transplant

surgery. The artificial device they

er and a thin wire. During a 90-minute operation this wire is carefully inserted into the patient's shell-shaped inner

It emits minute electric shocks that stimulate the auditory nerves and create the

impression of noise. The noises themselves are received via a miniature microcrophone and converted by a speech processor, a tiny computer, into electric im-

These impulses are transmitted to the artificial ear. which is located just under the skin, and with sufficient energy to relay them to the transplanted hearing aid.

After the operation patients merely register noises. They cannot identify them. It takes lengthy training under therapeutic supervision for them to be able to take part in conversations.

They have to relearn how to

starting with syllables and words before going on to sent-ences and continuous pas-

Words don't sound the same, nothing sounds the same as when heard by a healthy ear. "I was recently shocked by an unknown noise that turned out to be a pneumatic drill," Liebeck says. "It sounds entirely different from how they used to do."

The Hanover clinic has so far mainly operated on patients who have not been deaf from hirth. They find it easier to learn what speech is because they have been able to hear and speak in the past.

People who have been deaf from hirth don't know what to listen for and can't distinguish between the spoken word, music or street noise because they don't know the differ-



course of intensive training must follow the implantation

against adults. Professor Leh-

Transplants are fairly suc- past two years. But teaching cessful with children, as them is extremely hard and demanding work, and the ear. nhardt says he has been treat- nose and throat clinic is working children deaf from birth ing flat out. A speech therapy with growing success for the centre is planned, but Profes-

"but none of them are deaf."

sor Lehnhardt is having difficulty in raising funds. Officialdom is tight-fisted. "Many politicians are adept at turning a deaf ear," he complains

### L-Tryptophan outbreak linked to production change

BOSTON (AP) - The recent outbreak of a potentially fatal disease linked to the dietary supplement L-Tryptophan probably came from an impurity introduced by a change in production, according to a report. Disease experts in several, states have traced the mysterious illness to supplements made by one Japanese chemical company that produces L-Tryptophan in bulk.

Now, doctors have tracked Japan. down the specific batches responsible for the outbreak and conclude that changes in the way they were made, including less filtering of possihle toxic contaminants, were the most likely cause.

We believe that some of the (toxic) agent has been getting into L-Tryptophan for years," said Dr. Michael T.

"But there was a series of circumstances that may have increased the agent in the product in late 1988 and at the same time resulted in lowering he amount removed in the finished product."

Osterbolm, the Minnesota state epidemiologist, said researchers are now trying to pinpoint the poisonous substance that apparently contaminated the supplements.

All L-Tryptophan was ordered off the market in the United States in March after it was linked with an outbreak of Eosinophilia-Myalgia Syndrome that has struck more than 1,500 people, killing 27. The painful blood disorder can caus high fever, rash, weakness and shortness of breath, among other symp-

L-Tryptophan, an amino acid, has been used to treat Insomnia, depression and other disorders. It is made in bulk by six companies, hut tire outbreak was linked to the Showa Denko K.K. firm of process.

Osterholm was senior author of the latest report, along with other researchers from the U.S. Centres for Disease Control, the Mayo Clinic and the Minnesota Department of Health. It was published in the latest New Engaind Journal of Medicine.

While most of the cases of the blood disease associated with L-Tryptophan were spotted during 1988 and 1989, Osterholm said others occurred in the early 1980s.

L-Tryptophan is made in fermentation vats by the bacteria Bacillus Amyloliquefa-

The researchers found that the problems began after Showa Denko started using a new strain of the microbe and cut in half the amount of Carbon used to filter out im-

"What we were able to demonstrate withou a doubt was that there were changes that occurred that let more of it (the toxic substance) be in there," said Osterholm.

Alan Wachter, a spokesman for Showa Denko, said, "the company has acknowledged that there was a statistical profile that pointed to their product" as the cause of the outbreak. However, he said it is still uncertain whether the fault lies in changes in its manufacturing

# Experts isolate marijuana target

### in brain, may help drug development

NEW YORK (AP) — Scien- Bonner tists say they have isolated

Marijuana's main active ingredient attaches itself to the protein structure on the surface of brain cells, triggering alterations in mood and thinking, researchers said.

The new work suggests that the brain contains some natu- glaucoma, scientists say. ral substance that resembles the Marijuana ingredient, called a Cannabinoid, scientists said.

The work was presented in the latest issue of the British journal Nature by scientists Mental Health in Bethesda, Marviand.

Their paper describes details of the brain-cell structure as it appears in rats, but further study showed the human structure is virtually identical. said study co-author Tom

Marijuana is best known for and cloned a "button" that producing a calm, mildly Marijuana pushes in the brain euphoric state. Time seems to to produce its effects, an adv- slow down and users become ance that may lead to new more sensitive to sights, pain-killers and other medica- sounds and touch. Ideas may flow rapidly through the mind while short-term memory is

Marijuana ingredients can also relieve pain and ease or prevent high blood pressure, epileptic convulsions, nausca, asthma and the eye disease

The new work opens the door to developing derivatives that mimic those therapeutic effects while lacking undesired ones, commented Dr. Solomon Snyder, director of the Neuroscience Department from the National Institute of at Johns Hopkins Medical School in Baltimore.

The newly cloned structure is called a receptor. Many drugs and natural substances bind to particular receptors to exert their effects on the

Previous studies suggest

that Cannabinoids exert a variety of effects because they bind to a variety of recpetor variants, called subtypes,

"So if you could get a denvauve mar works on me therapeutic subtype but not the subtype that makes you high, then you would have an effective drug without the possibility of being a drug of abuse," he said in a telephone

"Drug companies have been working on this for years, but have been unsuccessful because they didn't have any way to look at these receptor subtypes that we think exist."

Researchers should now be able to use the cloned Cannabinoid receptor to search for

related subtypes, he said. "Then a drug company can synthesise lots of chemicals and check them out on receptor A and receptor B, and then gradually sculpt a molecule that fits receptor A and

not receptor B, and then you have a super drug," he said. Bonner said the existence of the receptor suggests that the brain naturally contains some sort of Cannabinoid-like

"The receptor's not there just so that people can go out and smoke pot and get high,'

Finding the brain chemical would shed light on the workings of the central nervous system, and might give clues to developing new medica-

In the Nature paper, scientists said they found genetic material that tells brain cells how to make the receptor. From that they could deduce the chemical makeup of the

When they inserted the genetic material into hamster ovary cells, the cells produced receptors on their surfaces. The receptors behaved as expected when exposed to Can-

### U.S. drug abuse programmes born

## of AIDS epidemic report success

al effort to reach drug addicts, born out of the AIDS epidemic, has recorded success rates as high as 47 per cent in getting junkies to quit, health officials have said. The programmes aimed at

studying and changing the be havior of intravenous drug absuers and their sex partners, were launched in 1987 ub 41 communities by the National Institue on Drug Abuse (NIDA). More than 30,000 people who were not in drug abuse programmes were

Follow-up interviews in five all use of IV (intravenous) drugs," the Atlanta-based National Centres for Disease

ATLANTA (AP) — A feder- Control (CDC) said in reporting the results. "If the results at other sites

prove to be consistent," it would provide 'strong evidence of the considerable impact this approach could have," the CDC said.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is transmitted chiefly through sexual contact or body fluids, including the sharing of blood-contaminated drug nee-

More than 38,000 of the 139,000 AIDS cases reported enrolled in the NIDA pro- in the United States have occurred in IV drug users. An additional 3,000 involved sex cities found between 16 per with IV drug users, and 1,400 cent and 47 per cent "stopping were children born to IV drug users or their sexual partners." "Recruiting drug users into

— and keeping them in —

well-managed, effective drugtreatment programmes can reduce risk behaviors for HIV (AIDS virus) infection," the Atlanta-based CDC said. The National Institute on

Drug Ahuse projects contacted IV drug abnsers through community workers, many of them former addicts themselves.

Techniques varied from city to city, but included individual and group counseling and demonstration of risk-reducing practices. The programmes encouraged users to quit their habits, and encouraged those who wouldn't quit to stop sharing drug paraphernalia and tolstop sexual activity or practice safet sex, including the use of condoms and reducing their number of partners. Follow-up surveys were

conducted six month after the drug users enrolled in the programme. Results were reported from five cities: Chicago, Houston, Miami, Phi-ladelphia and San Francisco.

Between 45 per cent and 73 per cent of the participants came back for the follow-up interviews. The drug users were paid for

their participation in the survey. Success in getting the addicts to quit ranged from 16 per cent in Chicago to 47 per cent in Miami. Quitting was reported by 17 per cent of users in San Francisco, 26 per cent in Philadelphia and 32 per cent in Houston.

In Chicago, where just 18 per cent of the participants hadn't been sharing needles with friends, the percentage

# pill challenged

French abortion

By Terril Jones The Associated Press

PARIS — The French abortion pill has proved to be a... safe, efficient way of terminating early pregnancy. But, for reasons that have little to

uncertain future abroad. The drug, known as RUthe powerfull anti-abortion has not yet been endorsed by the World Health Organisation (WHO).

do with medicine, it faces an

It has been used with 96 per fourth of the agency's budget, ent success by more than Washington has withheld 5,000 women, most in \$100 million from the U.N. cent success by more than Uclaf, the manufacturer.

which must be used in the first seven weeks of pregnancy, has great potential for reducing illegal abortions, and complications associated with surgery. The drug is known as as Mifegyne.

France approved RU-486 in drug," Netter said. 1988. Marketing is unlikely to

eggs from implanting in the uterus, causing miscarriage. It causes, uterine contractions of any company that sells it, and reduces the risk of hemorany subsidiary of Roussel-

RU-486 cost 750 francs (\$144), but 80 per cent is reimbursed under France's so-

cial insurance system. 🗕 poisonous effect on a developing baby." American antisaid in an interview. "If it

works, it kills the baby." Willke is president of both . will have a boycott." the U.S. National Right to Life Committee and the Inter- Association of Catholic Faminational Right to Life Federa- lies condemned the "vulgar

tion, based in Switzerland. Approval by the World Health Organisation, a U.N. agency, is vital to the drug's acceptance in underdeveloped countries because of the role WHO is expected to play in providing the pill itself and followup care.

The health organisation. based in Geneva, notes cautiously that RU-486 appears to be an effective, safe approach to termination of early pregnancy and also shows potential for treating endometriosis and breast

cancer. But WHO spokesman Tho-mas Netter said RU-486 was among the most sensitive matters before the agency

"If we approve it, or if we don't approve it, we'll be accused of murder," the said.
"We're caught between a rock
and a hard place."

Dr. Etienne-Emile Baulieu,

486, has been denounced by a consultant to Rousiel-Uclaf the powerfull anti-abortion who developed RU496, has lobby in the United States and claimed WHO had not approved the drug because it feared a cutoff of U.S. funds, which make up about one-

55,000 women, most in \$100 million from the U.N. France but a few in 14 other Fund for Population Activicountries, said Catherine ties in the past five years to Environd, a pharmacist and protest alleged forced abor-spokeswoman for Roussel- tions in Childs.

iciaf, the manufacturer. We are studying the admi-Medical expert say RU-486, nistration of the drug doses, timing, cost, logistic of de-livering it to local health services, the question of follo-wup and how to avoid misuse. We want to fook at every aspect of the implementation MifePristone and is marketed of RU-486 before we can advise on general use of the

A major obstacle to seiling extend beyond Britain and RU-486 in the United States is perhaps a few other northern a threatened boycott by anti-European countries for at abortion groups of groducts least another year. made by Hoechst AG, RousThe drug prevents fertilised sel-Uclaf's parent company in West Germany.

If RU-486 ever reaches the is taken injections of the hor- American market, "we will mone Prostaglandin, which unleash a boycott in the U.S. haging.

Uclaf and any subsidiary of
Abortions in France using Hoechst," Willke said. "It
RU-486 cost 750 francs would be a block suster boycott involving tens of millions of people. The company would feel the effects im-

Euvrard said, "the pro-choice abortion leader John Willke side has told us, nicely, that they will boycott us if we don't. sell Ra-486. Either way, we

In France this month, the publicity orchestrated anew" about the pill, which it called 'fatal for babies and, in the absence of a precise understanding, a risk for the

Roussel-Uclaf predicts global acceptance in 15 years.

"Control of overpopulation is a very big problem in the future," Ms. Euvraid said. "The problem of birth control will be a top priority even if we have to proceed with abortions. It's a question of life and death for the entire

### Antibiotics head off urinary tract infections in women

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - Taking a tablet containing antibiotics after sex can give women who suffer frequent urinary tract infections a reprieve from that common and frustrating problem, researchers report.

Such an approach is better than taking the same antibiotics daily or three times a week to prevent infections. since continual antibiotic therapy can be costly and can promote antibiotic-resistant bacteria, the researchers reported in the Journal of the American Medical Associa-

The drugs they used in a new study — | Trimethopsian and Sulfamethouszole, marketed in combination under the trade names Bactrim and Septra - seem to work regardless of how often a woman has sex, the researchers said.

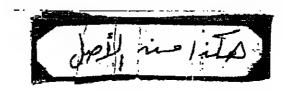
The drugs also are highly effective in women who use. diaphragms for contraception, times per week

By Brenda C. Coleman an important finding since diaphragms have been blamed for contributing to tringry tract infections in sexually active young women.

The researchers compared 16 infection-prone women who took the antibiotic after sex with 11 similar women who were given an inert drug. The women were an average of 23 years old, and each had suffered at least two minary tract infections in the previous

Only two of the 16 women taking autibiotics developed infections during the 180 days of the study, compared with nine of the women toking placebos. The researchers were led by Dr. Ann Simeton of the Department of Medicine at the University of Washington Washington in Scattle.

The infection rate in such subjects who took autibidies after sex — 0.3 per patent-year company favourably with rates reposed previously for patients who took the same drugs daily or lace





### East European influx puts Venice in dilemma

Smare and erected barriers to

prevent people sitting on the

steps as part of a new campaign to

tired feet in the canals, and

simbathing in the squares were all

banned under the new order,

which included the threat of jail

terms of up to five years for

- "If they pay for my lunch, I'll

St. Mark's Square last week.

He said the council was also.

planning to improve its services

to meet the needs of tourists with

"The culture and history of

Venice is something that should

be available and guaranteed to everyone," he told Reuters.

have problems and should be welcomed with a better organisa-tion. We are planning ways in

which to welcome them in a

warmer and more civilised

He said the council was con-

sidering opening its museums and

palaces free of charge for one day

a week, trying to recruit volun-

teer tour guides and planning to

increase the number of public-

lavatories and washrooms.

These are poor tourists. They

serious offenders.

be respected."

little to spend.

Sitting on pavements, bathing

restore "order and decorum."

By Jill Serjeant Reuter

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VENICE - They sleep on the coach on the long overnight drive from the east. They eat the sandwiches they brought from home on the steps of St. Mark's Square'. and drink free from Venice's

They are the new tourists from Eastern Europe, freed from travel restrictions and reager to see at first hand the fabled canal city, whose richly-decorated palaces, churches and singing gondoliers have been denied them for decades.

But the tens of thousands who descend on Venice on cheap day trips are often too poor to buy even a Cappuccino, let alone take a ride on a goudolz, and their arrival has forced the city council to take a new look at Venice's age-old tourist dilemma.

No sooner had the Italian government withdrawn Venice as a candidate to host the Expo 2000 World Fair, fearing the city would be suffocated by extra tourists, than the mass influx of Czechoslovaks, Hungarians and East

Germans began. One Saturday morning in June, 1,200 coaches arrived at the lagoon's terminal with the mainland, spilling out 60,000 East European day trippers - a num-

ber little short of Venice's resident population. Venetians acknowledge that the East Europeans are quiet, clear up their litter and are persis-

tent in their search for Venice's few and far between public lava-

"These tourists are very dignified and very serious," said Mayor Ugo Bergamo.

It has also announced plans to But the marrow alleys and little bridges, already overloaded with create a picnic area in a park around the corner from St. weekend visitors, creaked under Mark's and the pink 12th-century the strain as the influx was repe-Doges Palace. But the park will ated each successive Saturday. not be ready until next spring and even then stays will be limited to and Sunday.

Venetians complained they 40 minutes. could hardly get through the crush to do their shopping while "Venice is a civilised city which hotel and restaurant owners

The city council however opted for a more diplomatic solution. pleading with embassies in Pra-gue, Budapest and Berlin to cut down the weekend flow of

Mayor Bergamo said last week this had brought a welcome drop in arrivals to about 100 coaches

on picnickers in St. Mark's

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or 5,000 tourists a day. But hostilities appeared to have broken out in early August, when the council introduced fines

wants to cope with this problem. We would like to be a bridge between East and West, just as wrung their hands in despair as Venice was in the days of its the visitors read their price lists sea-going empire," Bergamo and walked on. The cry went up once again for the closure of the road bridge to the mainland and for a 25,000 daily maximum ceiling to be put on tourist arrivals. Venice hoteliers association

But until the council implements its plans, the day trippers from the East are seen as problem tourists who contribute little to the city's coffers and a lot to its overcrowded rubbish bins.



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## Why Arabs resent Western attitudes

By Ali Masarwek Special to the Jordan Times

THE LATEST moves by Western governments -- espe-cially the United States and Britain - in sending a "multinational" force to the Gulf has created deep feelings of resentment towards those governments throughout the Arab World, according to Mohammad Kamal, a member of the Jordanian Senate and a former

The latest measures taken by (British Prime Minister) (Margaret) Thatcher have eroded British prestige in the area. It will take a long time to repair the damage done," Kamal said in an interview with British Independent

The problem in the Gulf is a problem between Knwait and Iraq," said Kamal, who is also a member of the Senate's Foreign Relations Committee.

"The current coeffict between the two countries should be solved within an Arab framework - without foreign intervention," he said. Kamal, wbo served as Jordanian ambassador to the United States between 1985 and 1988, indicated that the protection of Sandi Arabia from an Iraqi attack is not the only motive behind the deployment of foreign troops in the Gulf. Kamal. however, declined to elaborate on other possible motives.
"Saddam Hussein has no in-

tention of taking Saudi Arabia and has stated this repeated-Kamal said. Referring to world reactions

of Irag's take-over of Kuwait, Kamal said they were "ont of proportion to the problem itself." The Senator added that by applying the means of quiet diplomacy, the West could have obtained the necessary assurances and guarantees from Iraq regarding the con-tinued flow of oil at all times and at a reasonable price.

"Demonstrations in Jordan and other Arab countries in support of Iraq," represented the "resentment and frustration of the Arab man-in-thestreet towards the United States and Western moves in the Gulf." he said.

"After the occupation of Arab lands in 1967 and even after the annexation of the Golan Heights, no move was made by either Britain, the U.S. or the international community to implement U.N. Security Council Resolution 242," Kamal pointed out. "It angers (Arab) people to see foreign fleets and troops moving into the Gulf within a week of the adoption of Security Council resolution .661 while resolution 242 is still waiting to be implemented, 23 years after it was adopted," Senator Kamal said.

Citing the possible effects of

the demonstrations on Arab political decision and policy,

making, the former ambassa-dor said Arab leaders should respect public opinion and take it into consideration. 'Nationalist sentiments are running high on the streets of Damascus and even in Saudi Arabia," be said. "The feeling in the streets cannot be ignored by Arab leaders," be maintained. Asked about the peoples' feelings on the practises of the Arab states in the Gulf, Kamal said that the people were unhappy to see their



bving in poverty while Arab money is being invested out-with the unleashing of a "propaganda machine" on the Arah World. side the Arab World," he said. While Kamal donbted the truth of the allegations that Iraq had any territorial ambi-tions in Saudi Arabia, be conceded that Iraq possibly did not explain its position to the outside world sufficiently. He said that "Saddam Hussein should have given the necessary assurances to the Americans and the British regarding the continuation of the flow of

"The extremely negative stand of the Western press in covering the current Gulf crisis has contributed in inflating the conflict artificially. "You (the Western media) say you are impartial, that you are objective, but it is fairly obvious that the Western media is totally one-sided," Kamal said, likening the Western media coverage of the current. Gulf crises

### 'King's mission crucial'

(Continued from page 1) People in the streets of Baghdad, Kuwait or Amman, for that matter or anywhere in the Middle East, want

Q: How would you characterise the message that (the King) is bringing from President Saddam Hussein as to President Bush? What's in it? A: Well, I think at this moment that

you have two heads of state meeting at really a crucial moment for me to speculate or dividee. I think what's in:
it is basically a great deal of concernon the part of His Majesty the King,
who, from the very beginning, has
striven for a diplomatic solution for a

Qt The point of significance now, as to supplies, moving from Aqaba to Jordan into Iraq and the president has warned of a blockade of Agaba. Will-Jordan shut down that flow of goods without a blockade and apply the U.N. sanction?

A: Well, as I said every country, including Turkey for example, if there is a flight sanction, has found compensation. I hope that discussion between His Majesty and President Bush is a broad ranging political

discussion (and) will put the whole issue of sanctions and indeed how we are not talking of sanctions but embargo and blockade and interdic-tion. This package has moved so quickly — it was not even called for by U.N. Security Council - (and) is currently a subject of great concern to the secretary general himself. So I think that we need to deescalate the situation and I hope that Jordan, which is the only party that can talk to all parties concerned, can help in that

That is only one aspect of the sanction's problem. We have half of our work force in the Gulf, we have excellent relations with all the Gulf countries. Frankly, we want to keep it that way. If the sunctions mean shut-ting down all business transactions... I beard the U.S. is losing \$20 million every day. We're losing several mil-lion dollars a day. This is affecting small people. Remittances are just not coming through. Relationship is one side of it. As far as Article 50 of the U.N. Charter states, we have the right to consult with the secretary general of the U.N. within 30 days to seek compensation of sanctions that are to be applied.

### French envoy briefs Regent

(Continued from page 1) seeking to use his influence to

throw my sandwich away," one young East German told police forestall escalation of the crisis. Jean-Louis Blanco, secretary trying to move picknickers out of general at the Elysee Palace, met Nearby in Florian's cafe, rich Egyptian President Hosni Mnbarak in Cairo after delivering a Americans and Japanese were paying about 17,000 lire each \$8 Cairo radio and the official Saudi accompanied by classical music

from the resident orchestra. Press Agency said. Bergamo said the crackdown Francois Scheer, secretary general of France's External was not intended to penalise the poverty-stricken tourists from the Affairs Ministry, meanwhile had talks in Damascus with President east but to make all visitors "understand that Venice should

Hafez Al Assad which Syrian officials said focused on France's position on sauctions against

In Ankara, President Turgut Ozal discussed the crisis with Jean Lecanuet, chairman of the letter from Mitterrand to King French Senate's Armed Forces Turkish officials said. Turkey is enforcing U.N.-imposed sanotions against Iraq.

The French Foreign Ministry said Tuesday the sanctions did not involve a blockade.

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### King meets **Bush today**

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be discussed between the King and Bush is the American-led campaign to enforce international sanctions and an embargo on Iraq. Bush said Tuesday that he would seek to convince the King to apply sanctions on Iraq. The King, who has said that Jordan respects the U.N. Charter and the resolutions adopted by the world body, is expected to outline the Kingdom's position on the issue to Bush, officials said.

In Washington, the State Department said the United States was ready to help Jordan and other small countries endure the financial hardship if they joined an embargo on Iraq.

Bush, at a White House news

conference Tuesday, stressed the close ties between the United States and Jordan but threatened to crack down on shipments through its only port, Aqaba, if they were intended for Iraq. Asked if he might order U.S.

naval vessels to "interdict" Iraqibound commerce, Bush replied: "I think at some point it might well be, if it's a hole through which commerce flows." "I would certainly think that

Agaba should be closed to Iragi commerce," said Bush, who had interrupted his vacation to return briefly to Washington for meet-Bush, however, said:

"We've always been a friend of Jordan. We've helped them in the past; we'd help them in the future if they fulfil their obligation here."

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#### **New factors in play** Khouri. "It all depends on the and Baghdad.

(Continued from page 1) changes in the psyche of the

wealth being squandered.
"There are millions of Arabs

people in the region." Khouri said be doubted whether Iran would make any moves on the ground in the event of the U.S. gaining the npper band in the present stand-off in the Gulf. "True, Iran would not like American or Western control of the oil fields in the area and would prefer to have an independent Iraq as its neighbour," he said. But, he added, "it is too premature to predict anything."

"I guess Iran will weigh the situation very carefully, particularly its own interests, before doing anything," he said. Khouri, however, foresees a

major impact of the Iranian-Iraqi rapprochement on the international oil market and the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). "Iran and Iraq have been cooperating within OPEC for some time now," be noted, "This cooperation could increase and its effects will be very visible on the oil market,"

While Dr. Keilani argued that "perhaps Iraq could even hope for Iran coming to its rescue" to beat the international embargo and sanctions, at least in terms of food and medicines, in light of their 1,280-kilometre border, Khouri thinks Iran will put its interests first before contribut-

ing to any Iraqi efforts to cushion the impact of the U.S.led campaign against Baghdad. Dr. Anani agrees with

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foreign policy objectives of Iran," be said. "If their objective is to consolidate the regional front in the long-term. they will cooperate with the Iraqis, but if they think normalisation of relations with the Iraqis is a long-term process, then they might grab the opportunity to serve their short-term interests."

Dr. Hamarneh believes that Iran's need to and interest in gaining increased revenues through boosted oil production to make up for the loss of Iragi and Kuwaiti oil from the market could also be very crucial in determining the future state of relationship between Tehran

In the short term, Dr. Keilani said, "Saddam has sent a message to everyone that he is no longer an easy target for anyone, and that his Iranian flanks are no longer vulnerable."

There is a majority opinion among Jordanian analysts that the latest twist in the course of events in the Middle East could be a stabilising factor and will have a "cooling effect" on rising tensions and fears of a war since, as Dr. Keilani put it, "the Americans and others will have to rethink their strategies now that there is a possibility that they might have to take on Iran in the

### 60,000 U.S. troops in Gulf

(Continued from page 1)

Bush also accused Iraq's troops of plundering Kuwait and com-

mitting atrocities in the country. "Saddam Hussein would have us believe that his unprovoked invasion of a friendly Arab Nations is a struggle between Arabs and Americans." Bush said.

"That is clearly false. It is Saddam who hed to his Arab neighbours. It is Saddam who invaded an Arab state. It is Saddam who now threatens the Arab

seek to assist our Arab friends in their hour of need."

Bush indicated the commit-

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ment of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia was open-ended, saying, "I don't know about a period of years, but certainly we're going to be there long enough to get the job done."

The president sought to minimise the danger facing the 3,500 or so Americans trapped in Kuwait and Iraq. He said their status was that of "inconvenienced people who want to get out... I hope that it doesn't become more than that. I have no reason to think at this juncture that it will.

Bush, praising the Defence De- An unidentified Iraqi official partment's swift response to the told ABC news Tuesday that crisis, said: "We, by contrast, Americans in Iraq and Kuwaitare "restrictees" and would not be free to leave until the crisis has

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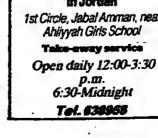
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### U.S., Yugoslavia and Puerto Rico head for world basketball semis

BUENOS AIRES. Argentina first and only lead of the second (AP) — Defending champion United States rallied from a big deficit while Yngoslavia and Puerto Rico coasted to easy victories Tuesday in the World Cup Basketball Championship. All three seemed assured of advancing to the semifinals.

Brazil, Australia and Argentina were knocked out by consecutive losses in the three-game quarterfinal round. Brazil was defeated by Greece, 103-88; Australia nipped by the United States, 79-78; and Argentina downed by Puerto Rico, 92-76. Semifinais are set for Friday. The final is Sunday.

Australia's loss was a heartbreaker. Led by Andrew Gaze's outside shooting and Luc Longley's rehonnding, the team stretched a four-point halftime lead to 13 points with only seven

minutes to go in the game. But the United States scored 22 of the next 30 points, taking its

Broadcasting System Inc., spon-

sor of the Goodwill Games, said

Tuesday it lost \$44 million on the

games, but a spokeswoman said it

was too early to write the games'

TBS Chairman Ted Turner

said during the recent Goodwill

Games in Seattle that the

anadrennial international sport-

ing event could lose \$26 million,

twice what had been projected.

That fuelled speculation that the

games, which Tumer developed

in 1985 to foster better relations

hetween nations, might be

The first Goodwill Games, in

"We've been saying all along

that the board (of directors) will

review the games at a furture date

and will make a decision (on

said Kitsie Riggall, a TBS spokes-

bers as well as the games itself...

its value to the cable (television)

LONDON (R) - Arsenal, En-

glish League champions two sea-

sons ago, have shown their deter-

mination to reclaim the title from

Liverpool by splashing out £3.5

million (\$6.6 million) on close-

the title for the first time for 18

years in 1989, never found the

same consistency and failed to

mount a serious challenge last

season as Loverpool collected

their 10th championship in 15

Liverpool are again favourites

for the new league season, which

kicks off on Aug. 25, hnt Arsenal

have strengthened their side with

. The cinh broke the world re-

cord fee for a goalkeeper when

they bought England number

three David Seaman from

Oueen's Park Rangers for £1.3

They bolstered the defence

with central defender Andy

Linighan, bought from Norwich

for £1 million (\$1.9 million) to

link up with his England B team

partner, Arsenal skipper Tony

And Swedish winger Anders

Limpar, who arrived from Italian

side Cremonese for £1.2 million

(\$2,2 million), should provide the

flair that was conspicuous by its

players hungry for honours.

million (\$2.4 million).

season signings.

They will review these num-

whether to cancel the games),

1986, lost \$26 million.

doomed.

half when Lee Mayberry stole the ball and scored on a layup with just over one minute remaining. The United States dribbled out the clock.

"We just gave the game away," Australia coach Adrian Hurley said. "There were two teams out there. One kept its composure to the end... this would have been our greatest moment. But the other side was too good."

U.S. coach Mike Krzyzewski acknowledged his inconsistent team, undefeated in five games, escaped by the slimmest of mar-

"Anytime you win a game like that, you're very lucky," be said. The team blew a 22-point lead against Argentina the night before, but held on to win, 104-100. The defending champions needed overtime to subdue a stuhborn Greek team in the preliminary round last week.

the athletic community. There

are several things to look at," she

Turner said earlier this month

he expected the board to decide

by the end of September whether

to continue TBS' involvement in

games in the second quarter, wrote off \$3 million in the first

quarter and took a \$10 million

loss related to the event in 1989.

The loss on the Goodwill-

Games "masked the better-than-

planned performance of onr

ongoing operations," Turner said

second quarter loss of \$8.3 mil-

a failure to deliver audience level

guarantees to advertisers who

bought advertising time on the

TBS Superstation cable television

network, which televised the

games. Turner said it would pro-

Limpar has already displayed

his incisive talents with a goal

against last season's runners-up

Aston Villa in a pre-season tournament at Wembley.

he is prepared to spend again.

who can compete for a first team

place. We're not far off that now.

But if a good player becomes

and also failed to score against

Spanish side Real Sociedad in the

same tournament, look likely to

struggle early in the season while

new manager Jozef Venglos com-

national team chief inherits a side

from newly-appointed England

manager Graham Taylor who lost

their way in the championship

race in the last two months of the

Liverpool were as relentless as

ever in the run-in, winning seven

of their last nine games and draw-

The Merseyside club's only ma-

jor signing is Ronny Rosenthal whose impressive contributions in

Liverpool's victory surge while on

loan from Standard Liege of Bel-

gium conviced the club he was

British bookmakers have made

worth £650,000 \$1.23 million.

ing the two others.

The former Czechoslovak

es to grips with the team.

Villa, who lost 2-0 to Arsenal

available 1 will be interested."

Manager George Graham says

I want to have 20 good biavers

Arsenal goes on spending spree

in bid for English League title

vide compensatory advertising tions in the meets.

The company posted a total

The loss on the games included

TBS lost \$31 million on the

Goodwill Games sponsor loses \$44 m

the Goodwill Games.

ATLANTA (AP) — Turner industry, the gains it made with

flare-up of Billy Owens' back injury. The starting forward who the world," he said. averaged 20 points and 10 rebounds during the qualifying round played 55 seconds and left the game. He may not take part,

in the match against Puerto Rico. Yugoslavia virtually clinched the semifinals on the shooting and ball-handling skills of Toni Kukoc. The top draft pick of the Chicago Bulls in the U.S.tallied 21 points, five rebounds and four steals.

"Yugoslavia was much better I don't know why," said reserve an us today," said Alexander forward Luiz Felipe. than as today," said Alexander Gomelski, the former Soviet basketball coach who led his team to the gold medal at the Seoul Olympics in 1988.

Yngoslav coach Dusan Ivkovic said he thought the Soviets still may claim one of four semi-finals spots. "We shouldn't fool ourselves... that we saw the real

time for future programming on

its other cable TV networks,

which include the Cables News

For the second quarter overall,

the \$8.3 million loss compared to

earnings of \$5.5 million in the

The Goodwill Games were

Turner's 1986 brainchild to hring

Soviet and U.S. Olympic-class

athletes together after both na-

tions led Olympic boycotts in 1980 and 1984, The United States

led the 1980 boycott of the Mos-

cow summer games after the

Soviets invaded Afghanistan, and

the Soviets retaliated by leading a

boycott of the 1984 Los Angeles

The Goodwill Games bring

together the top eight individuals

or teams from around the world

every four years in a competition

sanctioned by the International

Olympic Committee. The games

alternate between the United

States and Soviet Union, with

both countries guaranteed posi-

crown and offer only 4-1 against

their winning the League and

Arsenal are second favourites

Only threr other clabs - F.A.

Cup winners Manchester United

Chelsea, who finished third and

fifth respectively - appear to be

United, who last won the First Division title 23 years ago, suf-

fered injuries to key players last

season, including England cap-

tain Bryan Robson who flew

home from the World Cup finals

for an Achilles tendon operation

and is still uncertain for their

opening match against Coventry.

to show they are ready to chal-

lenge Liverpool in Saturday's

F.A. Charity Shield, the tradi-

nonal curtain-raiser to the season

between the champions and F.A.

tenham's young midfielder Paul

Gascoigne took centre stage for

England in the World Cup and

has continued to display his clev-

er ball control and pinpoint pas-

sing in warm-up matches.

If he can open np defences for

striker Gary Lineker as he did in

the World Cup, Tottenham could

be one of the most entertaining

in Robinson's absence, Tot-

United will get an opportunity

for the championship at 7-1.

F.A. Cup double.

in with a shout.

Cup winners.

Network (CNN).

summer games.

same period last year.

Victory was diminished by the Soviet team today. The Soviet team remains one of the best in

> Brazil, a perennial world power, was seeded among the top four teams at the start of last week's three-game qualifying round. It swamped its first two opponents, and lost by a single point to Australia in the last game of the qualifying round last week.

Then it fell apart, losing to Yugoslavia Monday, 105-86, and National Basketball Association then being run off the floor by

"We just didn't play very well.

A big reason was Pano Giannakis, the sharpshooter and playmaker who finished with 35 points, I4 assists and three steals. Every time Brazil closed to within a few points, it seemed, Giannakis would sink a three-pointer or tally a basket or assist on a fast

na Navratilova, playing for the owered Debbie Graham 6-1, 6-2 Tournament.

Navratilova was burt while practicing for a tennis tournament in San Diego and was forced to withdraw. She showed no ill effects of the injury in beating Graham, who won the U.S. collegiate singles championship while playing for Stanford in May.

The match was the first for Navratilova since she won the singles championship at Wimhledon in June.

No. 3 seed Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina swept past Halle Cioffi of the United States, 6-2, 6-0, while fourth seed Zina Garrison of the U.S. downed Argentina's Bettina Fulco 6-0, 6-4.

In other second-round action at the Manhattan Country Club Tuesday, fifth-seeded Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria overpowered Dinky Van Rensburg 6-1, nandez eliminated Clandine Toleafoa of New Zealand 6-2. 6-2; ninth-seeded Amy Frazier beat Tami Whitlinger 7-5, 6-3, and Stephanie Rebe upset 15thseeded Gigi Fernandez 6-3, 6-3.

In first-round matches Tues-

day, 1Ith-seeded Lanra Gildemeister of Peru overpowered Alycia May 6-0, 6-I; Peanut Louie-Harper apset 12th-seeded Gretchen Magers 6-4, 6-1; Anne Smith eliminated Donna Faber 6-2, 6-2; Renata Baranski of Poland ontlasted Elise Burgin 6-3, 3-6, 6-2; Kathy Rinaldi topped Nana Miyagi of Japan, 6-3, 7-6; Amanda Coetzer of South Africa, beat Cecila Dahlman of Sweden 6-3, 6-1; Rosalyn Fairhank-Nideffer ontlasted Monique Javer 7-6, 3-6, 7-6, and Audra Keller advanced when Patty Fendick pulled a leg muscle in the second game of the second set. Keller had won the first set

Navratilova, ranked second in the world behind Steffi Graf of West Germany, needed only 51 minutes to eliminate Graham

### Navratilova overpowers Graham in Los Angeles tournament

NEW HAVEN. Connecticut over the top spot last week. (AP) — No. I seed Ivan Lendi, MANHATTAN BEACH, Calirusty from a post-Wimhledon formia (AP) — Top-seeded Martilayoff, was upset by unseeded the semifinals.

Maliyai Washington Toesday in ... I didn't practice lately and the second round of the Volvo today just confirmed it," he said. first time since injuring her left Achilles tendon last week, overp-International Tennis Tonrnain a second-round match of the \$350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles Women's Tennis

versity of Michigan last year to turn professional, took only 73 minutes to beat Lendl 6-2, 6-3. Washington had not previously beaten a player ranked in the top 25 of the Association of Tennis Professional tour. But Washington said he wasn't intimidated going against Lendl on Centre Court before a crowd of 11,000.

"You can't go out and say, 'I'm playing Ivan Lendl, winner of so many tournaments.' You've just got to say you're playing a guy on the other side of the net," he

Washington, who lost his last three tournaments in the first round, is ranked. I03rd in the world rankings. Lendl is second

my game at any stage. Lendl said he could not give an appraisal of Washington's performance because, "I didn't push

Washington said the match would have been a lot tougher if Lendl had been in top form, but also said he wasn't playing his

In a first-round match earlier Tuesday, unseeded Jim Pugh, a top doubles player who has been struggling with a singles game, knocked off 10th-seeded Petr Korda of Czechoslovakia 3-6, 6-4. 6-I.

Pugh, runner-up to Brad Gilbert at last year's Volvo Interna-tional, said he had trouble concentrating in the first set, but settled down midway through the behind Stefan Edberg, who took second.

### Becker, Agassi advance in U.S. hardcourt tournament

Beckenbauer still eager

bauer, who coached West Ger-

many to their World Cup triumph

last month, hinted again Wednes-

day that he was eager to be in-

volved in the staging of the 1994 finals in the United States.

Calling the U.S. an "ideal"

country for the World Cup, Beck-

enbauer told the West German

magazine Sports: "The infras-

tructure is right, the stadiums are

wonderful - everything is per-

Beckenbaner, who stepped

down as West German coach

after the Italy finals, was reported

last week as saying he had

reached agreement to work for

the U.S. Soccer Federation

(USSF) and the 1994 World Cup.

But the second declaration of

firm interest in a week from the

44-year-old "Kaiser." who nor-

mally keeps his plans under

he could be close to signing up for

the Americans, probably as tech-

The link-up, coming at a time when the U.S. is increasingly being questioned as a World Cup

venue, could be a fruitful one.

Although soccer enjoys some

success as a participant sport

among U.S. youth, it has failed to

Washington, who left the Uni-

make any mark with the country's the 1994 competition.

Malivai upsets Lendl

nical director.

wraps, increased speculation that

The USSF denied the deal.

fect."

for U.S. World Cup post

BONN (R) - Franz Becken- all-important television-viewing

nublic

organisers.

nections.

be secured."

And the Americans, who un-

nerved the soccer world last

month by suggesting some cup

games might be played indoors,

know they could fend off criticism

by engaging one of the biggest names in the history of the game.

Beckenbauer met key Amer-

ican sports figures on a trip to the

U.S. two weeks ago. He said he

believed the 1994 finals could

succeed if they had the right

you need a consortium," he told

the magazine. "You need people

like Peter Ueberroth, who orga-

nised the Olympic Games in Los

Angeles. You need people like

Henry Kissinger, who has con-

ter than working with these peo-ple. The financial success would

Farlier this month the USSE

elected Alan Rothenberg, the

architect of the successful soccer

tournament at the Los Angeles

been backed by the International

Foothall Federation (FIFA),

which had been concerned about

the slow pace of preparations for

Lendl last played in Wimble-

don, when he lost to Edberg in

today just confirmed it," he said.
"I didn't feel comfortable with

Games, as its new head. Rothenberg's condidacy had

"You can't have anything bet-

To organise the World Cup

INDIANAPOLIS (AF seeded Boris Becker and secondseeded Andre Agassi had little trouble advancing to the third round of the U.S. Men's Hardcourt Tennis Championships.

Becker, the West German ranked third in the world, relied on his trademark serve and solid groundstrokes to defeat Brian Garrow of the United States 6-2, 6-4 in just over an hour.

Agassi needed 57 minutes to dispatch fellow American Robert Seguso 6-2, 6-3.

"It was a good match for me," Becker said. "Usually, it is more difficult in the first round, but I had a good start and played two good sets."

Becker said the newly recoated courts at the Indianapolis Sports Centre influenced his style of

play.
"It is much slower," said Becker, who won the U.S. hardcourt tournament two years ago. "The ball bounces higher and it is a bit rough. You have to play back

In the opening set, both players held serve through the first four games, but Becker gained the advantage by breaking at love in the fifth game after Garrow donhie-faulted, Becker then held, broke again and took the set on a forehand winner that dipped under Garrow.

### **GOREN BRIDGE**

WITH OMAR SHARIF & TANNAH HIRSCH

North East

What do you bid now? A.—You have a balanced hand of 11 points, which includes a scraggly five-card minor. There is no point in bidding two diamonds on that suit. By a passed hand, a jump to two no trump describes your hand

Q.2-Both vulnerable, as South you 474 ♥AQ10762 ♦A8 4K104 The bidding has proceeded: South West North East Pass 1 4

What do you bid now? A .- It is tempting to rebid one no trump with your stoppers in the unbid suits. Indeed, that would have been our choice had the red suits heen reversed. With a six-card major, however, we clearly prefer re-

Q.3-East-West vulnerable, as South you hold: 46 VAQ3 OAK6 41998652 Your right-liand opponent opens the bidding with a weak two hearts. What action do you take? A .- Your club suit is not worthy of a three-level overcall, but consider the possibilities if you should pass and partner balances with a double.

Q.6-As South, vulnerable, you **664** The bidding has proceeded: North East Seath West 1 4

A .- Now that you have changed the queens inte kings, your hand becomes worth a raise. You have fair defense and better Offense, so you needn't fear pushing the epponents into game or causing partner to get

#### HOROSCOPE

PORECAST FOR THURSDAY AUGUST 16, 1990 By Thornas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

you can get far more of a construc-GENERAL TENDENCIES: One tive nature done at your neual of your best days to look into activities. tever you do not understand to get to the truth of the situation and LIERA: (September 23 to October

to attend to whatever obligations are outstanding in your life. ARIES: (March 21 to April 19) Seek out those friends and acaintances who are very up to date in their views and expre-

and let them direct you how to

obtain your desires. TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) Consider whatever you want to do to bring your career and credit conditions up to date and then make plans at once to implement these goals.

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 21) A comparative newcomer in your life has the answers that will resolve some doubt in your mind how you can push ahead in a new undertak-

MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) Consider well what you can do to bring your present business arrangements up to date so they can be handled with greater

LEO: (July 22 to August 21) You can make your mark in the world. in some unusual manner now so forget your being tied down to the tmoded and bring yourself up to

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) Now is the day for you to search out from every possible media for the answers by which

ary 19) A great day to just be yourself and do the things that appeal to you the most after getting yourself dolled up in your best finery. AQUARIUS: (January 21 to Febru-

22) Depart from the usual and find

that can take away any burdens

and bring you a feeling of release

SCORPIO: (October 23 to Novem

ber 21) Your home needs more zip

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SAGITTARIUS: (November 22 to

December 21) Consider all persons

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tions or messages to send to and put some original to your corres-pondence to impress them.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 to

January 20) Do those things which will enhance the value and appear-

ance of whatever property you are possessed and to make your future

some pleasures and ansusci

and happiness.

PESCES: (February 20 to March 20) Whatever private aspirations you have now can be made to operate in your behalf by taking a positive attitude where they are

### THE BETTER HALF. By Harris HARRIS 7-13 BILL PAY FINAL PAST DUE BILL "I'm going in to look for the gas

bill. If I'm not back in four hours, send help."

### JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WOAD GAME ..... by Henri Amold and Bob Lee : Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words. Surshine Class SEGIN

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Jumbles: MOTIF LINGO FUMBLE ADRIFT Answer: How the farmer turned saffor continued to make his living—OFF THE LAND

#### absence last season. and highest-scoring sides Liverpool 8-I1 on to retain their Prestige, wealth attract foreign stars to Italy

· MILAN (AP) — The prestige of the Italian First Division, fuelled by million-dollar salaries offered in recent years, has attracted an even larger contingent of foreignstars into the higgest soccer league show in the world.

Already known for such stars as Argentina's Diego Maradona (Napoli), Dutchmen Ruud Gullit and Marco Van Basten (both A.C. Milan), and Brazilians Carlos Dunga (Fiorentina) and Antonio Careca (Napoli), the Italian First Division will add stars from this past summer's World Cup as well as others virtually unknown to Italian fans.

But when the season opens on Sept. 9, all of them will bid to match the fame, and hopefully the pay, earned by the Maradonas and Gullits.

Maradona and Gullit have been among the most expensive transfers in Italy's soccer history and each make about \$2 million a year. The yearly salaries of Van Basten, Dunga and Careca range between \$1.2 to \$1.6 million.

Kartheinz Riedle and Thomas Haessler, who helped West Germany win the 1990 World Cup, are two of the highest paid newcomers, joining other German

stars in Italy.

Internazionale of Milan will field the West German trio of Jurgen Klinsmann, Lothar Matthaeus and Andreas Brehme while veteran striker Rody Voeller and midfielder Thomas Berthold have been added to Roma's

All helped Germany defeat Argentina 1-0 in the lackluster. World Cup final in Rome on July The transfer of 25-year-old

striker Riedle from Werder Bremen of the Bundesliga cost Lazio of Rome about \$10 million. Haessler moved to Juventus of

Turin from Cologne, also of the Bundesliga, on a transfer fee of nearly \$9 million. Juventus, which is owned by

the Agnelli family of auto tycoons, invested some \$40 million to strengthen the team for the next season and revive its past glory following some disappointing years.

The Turin club, the defending UEFA Cup champion which will play in the European Cup Winners' Cup this season, signed Brazilian defender Julio Cesar in addition to Haessler and bought Italian star forward Roberto Baggio from Fiorentina at an all-time

record fee of \$15 million. Baggio's costly transfer rejoins him with Salvatore "Toto" Schillaci, recreating the front line that led Italy to third place in the World Cup.

Torino, the Juventus' crosstown rival which was promoted from the Second Division this year, signed Spanish midfield star Rafael Martin Vasquez. He has a \$3.5 million, three-year contract while his former club, Real Madrid received a transfer of about Alexei Mikhailichenko, Fiorenti-\$4 million.

Another team newly-promoted to the First Division, Cagliari, signed three Uruguayan internationals --- Enzo Francescoli, Jose-Herrera and Daniel Fonseca while Roma and Lecce fished the Brazilian pool for Aldair and

Parma, also promoted to the top division, signed Brazil's World Cup goalkeeper Claudio Taffarel, Swedish forward Tomas Brolin and Belgian defender Georges Grun for a total of more than \$6 million.

The signing of a foreign goal keeper, although the Brazilian national team's starter, was very unusual in Italy. However, Taffarel's transfer to Parma was mostly due to the Brazilian commitments of Parmalat, an Italian food group which is the commercial sponsor of the team. Commercial sponsors have fi-

nanced nearly all of the 20 new foreign stars, who cost Italian clubs more than \$80 million.

The liberalisation of Eastern European enabled Sampadoria of Genoa to sign Soviet midfielder na to get Romanian forward Marius Lacatus and Genoa to land Soviet Igor Dobrowolski and Czechoslovakian striker Tomas Skubravy.

Some Italian clubs also went shopping in the relatively inexpensive Eastern markets for coaches.

Pisa signed Romanian Mircea Lucescu while Lecce hired Zbigniew Boniek, a former Polish international striker who starred for Juventus, and became a coach

ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.1-As South, vulnerable, you hold: **★A84** ♥**K6** ♦**87632 ★A93** The bidding has proceeded: South West North Ea Pass Pass 1 V Pass

bidding two hearts.

That action leaves you with an inturmountable problem, so we would opt for the overcall of three clubs, now.

Q.4-Neither vulnerable, as South you hold: ♦73 ♥94 ♦AJ9642 . ♣Q102 The hidding has proceeded: North East South West

What action do you take? A.—We feel this hand is just good enough for a competitive bid of two diamonds. If partner opened with a convenient club, he surely has at least a doubleton diamond. And if he is short in diamonds, you have some safety in your club fu. .

Q.5-As South, vulnerable, you **±64** ♥9865 ♦Q63 **±**Q982 The bidding has proceeded: North East South West North East So 1 ♥ .1 ★ ? What action do you take?

A.—We seldom recommend passing when you have four-card support for partner's major-suit ope but this hand is the exception. With soft values and a balanced hand, you could be inviting disaster if you raise freely. Pass, and see what happens.

♥9865 0 K63 4 K982

What do you bid now? overly ambitious. Bid two hearts.

### THE Daily Crossword by Jennie Wilson ACROSS 1 Casile feature 5 Fat 10 "— the Boss?" 14 A.D. word 15 Moming 17 Coral ridge but.... 19 Lab gel 20 Feline teast? 22 Thus 24 Alias 24 Alias 25 Feline lun? 28 Humorous 32 Plane 36 New 40 Feline trolic? 44 A Barrymore 45 Miles of Yesterday's Pezzie Solved

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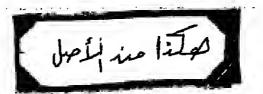
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### Iraq threatens OPEC if it raises oil output

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Iraq Tuesday threatened to retali-ate against Venezuela and other OPEC nations if they increase their oil output to replace blocked sopplies from Ireq and

Iraq's ambassador to Venezucia, Majid A. Al Samarra'i, announced that Iraq viewed raising oil production "an act against the Iraqi government," adding that "those who take action Against us will suffer damage."

He did not say what sort of retaliation Iraq had in mind. Samarra'i spoke at a news conference and said he was relaying a communique from his govern-

He portrayed Washington's dispatch of U.S. troops to the Middie East as an American plot to destroy the Organisation of Petrolenm Exporting Countries (OPEC) and to seize control of Middle East oil itself.

The envoy said Iraq was acting in the interests of OPEC, which was expected to meet in

**Sudan Islamises banking** 

KHARTOUM (AP) — The gov- on loans made by the government with Islamic rules

Hamdi said that external dealings will remain as usual under the international financial system. Hamdi was quoted by the

Sudan News Agency as saying that the new system is based on the "Islamic financial system, continue to pay interest to dewhich does not encourage the use positors or if they would also be of interest in Its dealings."

OPEC natioo to increase its production quota will mean support of the Uoited States plan, and will bring harm to all," Samarra'i

demonstrate "solidarity" against the Bush administration by refusing to raise productioo. "The United States doesn't

want to defend the people of Kuwait. Iraq is doing it," be said. There are 13 nations in OPEC, including Iraq and Kuwait, and the organisation thus far has made no move to suspend either nation from the group.

OPEC oil ministers are to meet at a time and place not yet announced to decide what course OPEC should take in regard to millions of barrels in blocked Iraq-Kowait oil production. Whether Iraq and Kuwait will

Iraq and Kuwait together account for 20 per cent of the world's oil reserves.

"If it is not possible to imple-

ment any of the Islamic systems

of profit sharing, then the loans

would be made free of interest,"

It was not clear if banks would

Hamdi said.

ernment Tuesday abolished all to public corporations and cmforms of interest in Sudan's ployees. Instead of dealing in domestic finances in accordance interest, financiers will now share profits or losses with their cus-Finance Minister Abdul Rahim tomers, as stipulated by Islam.

This move will abolish interest system.

"Any attempt by any member

He asked OPEC nations to

take part was not known.

### **ILO finds inflation** rising in many states

BASEL, Switzerland (AP) -

Lending by commercial banks of

Western industrial countries to

Third World nations declined in.

the first quarter at an unpre-

In a survey released Wednes-day, the Basel-based Bank for

International Settlements (BIS)

aid the claims on these countries

contracted by \$23 billion to

\$700.9 billion, by far the largest

quarterly decrease ever recorded.

Third World deposits with West-

ern commercial banks continued

to increase by \$11 billion to

\$585.2 billion. New deposits by China, \$5.1 billion, accounted for

almost half of the total while new

borrowing by China increased by

The decline in outstanding claims occurred mainly in Latin

At the same time, the BIS said,

cedented pace.

GENEVA (R) - Inflation is rising in two out of every three countries surveyed by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) despite a decade of efforts to control it.

The ILO, a United Nations agency, has said that countries with steadily rising inflation in the first few months of 1990 included Sri Lanka with 22.6 per cent compared with 15.1 per cent last December, Hungary 26.8 per cent (18.1 per cent), Sweden 10.1 per cent (6.6 per cent), Chile 24.8 per cent (21.4 per cent) and Britain 9.4 per cent (7.7

An analysis of consumer price indices of 99 countries for 1989 showed that inflation rates in 67 of them were higher than in the previous year, while 27 recorded lower rates.

Argentina topped the list with a I989 hyperinflation rate estimated at 4,924 per cent, compared with 387.7 per cent in 1988. Peru followed with 2.775 per cent (1,722 per cent), while Yugoslavia recorded 2,599 per cent (243,5 per cent) and Brazil 1,973 per cent (980 per cent).

Nine nations — Taozania, Mexico, Syria, Gambia, India, Norway, Panama, Malta and Malawi - reduced inflation in 1989 for the second consecutive year.

### asked to adopt the profit sharing **U.S.** companies said doing

there were capable of handling

Demarino said there bad been

He said, "we don't see any

Two-way trade with Saudi Ara-

U.S.-United Arab Emirates

trade was \$1.3 hillion, but with a

U.S. surplus of \$133 million, U.S.

exports that included cars, con-

struction equipment and office

evidence that business has been

disturbed. I have not sensed any

bia in 1989 was \$9.4 hillion, with

a U.S. deficit of \$1.8 billion,

extensive withdrawals from Saudi

hanks "but we're seeing that

business transactions.

tapering off".

kind of panic:

chiefly oil purchases.

WASHINGTON (R) - Outside far as they are concerned they of Iraq and Kuwait, U.S. firms may have liquidity problems in seem to be doing business as the physical presence of cash, but usual in the Middle East despite in terms of reserves, in terms of the tensions there, Americans collateral, the situation has stabilfamiliar with the region said

Tuesday. but they bad move stabilised: .... J.R. Abinader, President of their assessments. the National U.S.-Arah Chamber - "Business as usu

of Commerce, said there were feeling," he said. more psychological than real. said he was concerned about the He told a news conference "as liquidity problem but the banks

A U.S. government official and One said there had been some several businessmen said normal banking problems in the Gulf, business was being conducted in the Gulf, but Abinader disputed

"Business as usual is not their problems in exchanging some Don Demarino, deputy assis-Middle East currencies in London, but the issue of liquidity was Africa, the Near East and Asia,

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Belgian francs

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**AMMAN EXCHANGE RATES** 

Wednesday, August 15, 1990 Central Bank official rates

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

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machinery offset American purchases of oil. "I would characterise it thus far as business as usual," Demarino

He added, however, that insurance in the region was rising, but he hoped this increase would only

be temporary.

Charles Heatb, representing the Dubai Board of Trade and Tourism, said aircraft bringing tourists into Dubai were full and Dubai was assuming Kuwait's role as a stopover for ships and planes going between Asia and

Europe. "There are signs of calm," be

#### leading world correncies and gold against the dollar at midsession on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Wednesday. Jet fuel : U.S. dollar Canadian dollar Deutschemarks prices soar Dutch guilders

NEW YORK (R) — As a growing number of U.S. jet fighters fly to the Middle East, the government is being forced to battle U.S. airlines and the Japanese for available jet fuel supplies, trade and industry sources say.

Demand for jet fuel has soared due to the sharp expansion of U.S. military operations, coupled with nervous airline and Japanese stockpiling. This has led to a 25 per cent jump in jet fuel prices to about 75 cents a gallon (3.8 litre).

"I don't think there's any question. No one wants to be caught short of jet fuel," said Ed Tolle, president of United Aviation Fuels Corp, wholly owned by UAL Corp. "And I think there has been a fair amount of forward buying by the airlines."

### Bush threatens spending cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) - President George Bush said Tuesday he will impose across-thegovernment spending cuts unless congressional Democrats com-

promise with him on a budget. "I feel I kept my share of the bargain." Bush said at a news conference. "Now it is up to the Democrats who control Con-

The president met with financial advisers at the White House Tuesday.

Bush said he bad done everything he could, referring to his abandonment of his "no new taxes" campaign promise, to get the three-montb-old budget talks

But he said the Democrats were dragging their feet at the talks while passing hudgetbusting legislation.

Of the 10 appropriations bills approved so far by the House, eight exceeded his request, Bush said. In addition, Congress is considering legislation for public financing of congressional elec-

Bush promised to use his veto

pen in both areas. The Gramm-Rudman budget law calls on the president to impose across-the-board spending cuts if the fiscal 1991 deficit is exceeded. That now appears certain, with the latest administration figures showing \$100 billion in cuts will be needed to reach the

\$64. billion target. Bush said be would carry out the mandate if there is no bodget

"They (the Democrats) will bear beavy responsibility for the consequences," be said.

### Malaysia raises oil output

KUALA LUMPUR (AP) - The government-owned National Petroleum Corporation (Petronas) has increased its oil crude production by 10,000 barrels a day, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Wednesday. Wednes-day's cabinet meeting decided that half of the daily additional volume would be for Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) member countries

lands, Hong Kong, Netherlands Antilles, Singapore, and by the branches of U.S. banks in Pana-

Lending to Third World falls sharply

decrease totalled \$18.6 billion.

more than in all of 1989. The

sharpest contraction, by \$14 bil-

lion, was recorded for Mexico, a

result of the March agreement

The statistics showed that the

resources to the emerging East

European democracies did not

materialise. The Western banks'

exposure to these countries

shrank fractionally by \$100 mil-

markedly slower pace. This "re-

porting area" includes the Group

with Switzerland plus Luxem-

bourg, Austria, Denmark, Fin-land, Ireland, Norway, Spain,

Bahamas, Bahrian, Cayman Is-

Ten industrialised countries

Interbank lending in the de-

with its creditors.

lion to \$97.8 billion.

Total cross-border claims totalled \$48.7 billion, down from \$176.4 billion in the previous quarter. The interbank market widely anticipated shift of lending between European countries made an exception, increasing from \$38.5 billion to \$73.7 bil-

> Total oct international financing rose \$105 billion in the first quarter to \$3,627 hillion, a slowdown from the \$139 billion net

veloped area continued at a expansion in the fourth quarter. This slowdown stemmed from a decline in growth in the interbank market and a contraction in volume of new syndicated credit facilities because of fewer mergers, the BIS said.

Japanese banks in the first

the international market because of downturns in the yen, the Tokyo stock market, and in yen bond prices, the BIS said.

U.S. banks cut their interbank positions with other financial centres, possibly reflecting a sharp reduction in their exposures to debtor countries. The external assets and liabilities of banks in the U.S. fell by \$47 billion and \$36 billion, respectively," the sbarpest contractions ever re-corded," the BIS said.

It said the reduction of U.S. banks' international involvement was partly due to the imple-mentation of the Mexican debt agreement. But it also pointed to "the growing caution of banks at a time of greater perceived vul-nerability of the U.S. fioancial system.'

### **Gold price fails** to sparkle over crisis in Gulf

the times that gold, traditional gion flirts with outright war. friend of investors when the going gets tough, has responded so feebly to the Gulf crisis.

A decade ago, it surged to He said there were several record levels which still stand reasons why gold had failed to when Soviet troops went into respond dramatically to events in Afghanistan.

all-time high of \$850 an ounce at there were 10 years ago. the beginning of 1980.

Kuwait, the metal bas put on only day. Trading has been volatile ment. and at one point Tuesday it briefly touched \$416.

"There has been some disappointment in gold's performance," said Euan Worthington, head of the mining department at London Brokers Warburgs. "But it has done better than stock markets in the past few weeks."

Nevertheless, the bullion market has been acutely sensitive to has also held the metal back in the Gulf crisis, albeit so far in a recent times, he added. fairly staid way, dipping as more peaceful sounds come out of

### Dollar drops

touched a record low against the mark in European afternoon

at 1330 GMT, its lowest since the l previons low set during Tokyo at London brokers James Capel. trading earlier in the day.

Dealers said dollar weakness was due to market expectations that U.S. interest rates would have to be cut to prevent the U.S. economy slipping into recession. Lower interest rates make dollardenominated investments less attractive.

Concern about Congress's failure to come up with a plan to cut the huge U.S. budget deficit is also a problem, exacerbated by the hard to quantify cost of sending thousands of U.S. military personnel to the Gulf following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, dealers said.

Higher oil prices as a result of the invasion are expected to add to U.S. inflationary pressures. Chart analysts and dealers all

expected the dollar to fall further still, with many citing I.52 marks as a target. Some say it would be round that level already if it bad not had some support from safehaven buying at the start of the Gulf crisis.

Economic data at 1315 GMT in Washington showing U.S. industrial production unchanged in July when it had been forecast to rise 0.I per cent nudged the dollar

# LONDON (R) - It's a sign of Baghdad, and firming as the re-

"Depending on what bappens in the Middle East, gold can go further," Worthington said. He said there were several

the Middle East, including the The U.S. embassy bostage cri-simple fact that there are many sis in Tehran and rising oil prices more types of investments availalso helped propel gold to an able on the market now than

At the time, and historically, But, since Iraq invaded gold still appealed to an age-old instinct to hold something safe, about \$26 to around \$400 an tangible and portable as opposed ounce at mid-afternoon Wednes- to the abstraction of paper invest-

"Real interest rates are much higher - money in the bank can earn 12 to 15 per cent. That's a fairly attractive option when gold doesn't yield anything," Worthington said.

A high level of physical gold supplies — due in part to heavy production encouraged over last decade by a robust gold price -

Higher mining output was one reason why gold dropped to \$285 in the mid-1980s. But overall the investment climate for the metal has improved considerably since it hit a four-year closing low of LONDON (R) — The dollar \$346.25 in London on June 14. "Investors would be well

advised to hold some gold as trading Wednesday, dealers said. insurance. Not so much in the It was quoted at 1.5530 marks expectation that the price will rise, but that the value of other Deutschemark was introduced in investments will fall," said 1948, and down from its 1.5568 Robert Weinberg, head of mining

He said there was a lot of resistance to the price moving above \$420 to \$425, but it was hard to predict bullion's future course given the uncertainty in the Gulf.

Weinberg said gold was undepinned by concern about recession in the West. Hard times would leave less flexibility for authorities to raise interest rates to choke off inflation which would be fanned by higher oil prices.

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### **ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Food prices soar in UAE

ABU DHABI (R) — Panic buying sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kowait bas doubled the price of rice and sugar and sent the cost of other necessities soaring in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), merchants have said. Merchants said people in the Gulf country were stockpiling basic foodstuffs and other necessities despite government assurances there would be no shortages. They said the cost of a kilogramme of rice and sugar had doubled, to 3.3 dirhams (90 cents) and 2.2 dirhams (60 cents). Prices of other consumer goods have also risen sharply. The ministry of economy and commerce said earlier this week the UAE had enough food to meet demand for six months. Traders said people were still hoarding, afraid imports may suffer if Western warships succeed in blockading Iraqi trade. Ministry sources said officials fanned out to the markets to stop hoarding and price manipulation and

#### Iraq, Kuwait owe S. Koreans about \$1b

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korean construction companies operating in Iraq and Kuwait are owed \$992 million in overdue payments, officials have said. The construction ministry said Iraq owed \$927 million and Kuwait owed \$65 million. Hyundai Engineering and Construction Co. and several other Korean contractors are currently working on nine projects worth \$1.4 billion. Construction Minister Kwon Yong-Gack has told a national assembly committee the ministry told Korean contractors to refuse new contracts in Iraq and Kuwait and complete ongoing projects quickly in view of bigh husiness risks and dangers for Korean workers. Kwon said there were about 900 Korean workers in the two countries. Hyundai reportedly has decided to evacuate its Korean workers from Kuwait and Iraq as soon as the situation permits.

#### **UAE warns moneychangers**

ABU DHABI (R) - The central bank of the United Arab Emirates bas warned local moneychangers not to manipulate the exchange rates of Gulf currencies. It said currency dealers or exchange shops that do not accept the currencies of Saudi Arabia. Oman, Bahrain and Qatar, would be shut. "You are advised to continue to accept and trade in the currencies at normal exchange rates," it said in a circular. The warning followed complaints that some moneychangers raised currency rates after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Fears rocked the local financial community, sending the dirham as high as four to one U.S. cash dollar from 3.68.

#### Iran, Turkey to increase transport links

ANKARA (R) — Turkey and Iran have signed a draft agreement here to increase their air links and road transport across their common border, transport officials said. Under the protocol flights between Istanhul and Tehran will increase from four to six week and a new air route will open between Istanbul and Tabriz. The officials said road transport capacity would more than double to 900,000 tonnes by the end of this year from 418,000 tonnes between January and July, and compared with 35,000 tonnes in the first of 1989.

#### Aeroflot to start flights to Nepal soon

KATHMANDU (R) - The Soviet airline Aeroflot will start a weekly flight from Moscow to Kathmandu via Duhai Aug. 25, airline officials have announced. They said it was hoped the flight would attract low budget travellers from Europe to the Himalayan kingdom, where tourism is the biggest hard currency earner. Aeroflot will be only the third airline to operate between Europe and Kathmandu. Royal Nepal airlines has a twice weekly flight from London via Frankfurt and Dubai, and Lufthansa flies once a week from Frankfurt via Karachi.

### Bangladesh restricts sale of gasoline

DHAKA (AP) — The government has announced that gas stations will remain closed every Friday, the weekly holiday, to restrict consumption of gasoline. A statement issued by the government said the move was approved at a cabinet meeting, where it was decided to cut down consumption of petroleum because of the crisis in the Gulf. Bangladesh imports two million tons of crude oil every year to meet its demand for petroleum. Most of the imports are from the Gulf. Crude oil prices rose worldwide after Iraq attacked and annexed Kuwait last week. Prices are expected to rise further because of a United Nations embargo prohibiting trade with Iraq.

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'business as usual' in M.E.

LONDON (R) - Following are the buying and selling rates for One Sterling One U.S. dollar

### 2 bomb blasts kill 11 on Indian Independence Day

NEW DELHI (Agencies) --- Susheavy security blanket thrown over India's Independence Day celebrations Wednesday to explode two bombs that killed 11

But Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh, speaking under the shadow of three separatist uprisings, said defiantly he would not yield to secessionist violence.

"The time has come to decide who is with India and who is not," he said in an Independence Day speech from the ramparts of the historic Red Fort in Old Delhi hours after a bomb killed five people.

It went off near a temple in north west Delhi just before midnight as several thousand people were making their devotions on the birthday of Lord Krishna, one of the major gods in the Hindu pantheon.

Police said five people were killed and 23 wounded, four of

them seriously. Shortly after Singh declared there will be no compromise with those who challenge India's unity," another bomb went off, this time in Punjab.

Police said six people were killed, including two women and a girl, when a bomb exploded on

They said Sikh militants fighting for a separate homeland in Punjah they call Khalistan (land of the pure) were suspected of planting both bombs.

More than 3,000 people have been killed this year in secessionist campaigns in three border states, Jammn and Kashmir, Pun-

SEOUL (R) - Riot police

fought pitched battles Wednes-

day with nearly 10,000 supporters

of a Pyongyang-sponsored border rally, marking Korean Independ-

ence Day with tearess and fire-

Police deployed at least 10

armoured cars at Yonsei Uni-

versity in western Seoul to sub-

due thousands of students and to

block 400 dissidents in buses and

vans from driving north to the

rally in the border village of

So effective was the police cor-

don on roads northward that few-

er than a dozen students reached

Imjin-Gak, the northernmost

point open to civilian traffic on

Police said about 100 people

were arrested in the Seoul area.

They reported no injuries but a

Witnesses at Yonsei University

student spokesman said at least

said at least a dozen policemen

were set ablaze by petrol bombs

hurled by the students who

surged from the campus to

attack police with iron bars. The

flames were quickly extinguished

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) -

A Burmese dissident died while

doctor who helped rebellious stu-

dents apparently was poisoned, a

U.S. human rights group

Burmese government since it lost

May 27 elections also identified

five people who were reported to

have been executed. It said a

husinessman, a taxi driver, two

university students and another

young man were each executed in

June in the Karen state commun-

ity of Pa-An, near the Thai-

evicted by the Thai army in re-

cent months have been detained

by Burmese authorities or forced

UNITED NATIONS (Agencies)

-The U.N. Security Council has

manimously endorsed Liechten-

stein's application to become the

160th member of the United Na-

The principality of Liechten-

stein has a population of less than, 30,000 and is only 161 square

into military porter duty, the re- the report said-

**Security Council endorses** 

Liechtenstein as member

Many Burmese refugees.

border.

Asia Watch's report on the

announced Wednesday.

**Burmese dissident dies** 

'chained to hospital bed'

chained to his hospital bed and a tory in the May 1990 general

the road to North Korea.

40 students were burt.

bombs.

Panmunjom.

Police thwart S. Korean

dissidents' trip to border

"It is a tragedy that the forces pected Sikh militants punctured a of secessionism have raised their ugly heads in these states," Singh said.

Singh, whose minority government took power nine months ago, said be wanted to redress injustices that led to the upris-

But we will subdue the terror ists with force of arms," he said in 75-minute speech.

Tens of thousands of security men were on duty in the three states in anticipation of trouble as India entered its 44th year of independence from Britain.

In Srinagar, summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir, India's only Muslim-majority state, the authorities allowed a dawn to dusk break in the curfew that has been in force for much of the past eight

Residents shunned the relaxation and called their own curfew, staving at home to ignore subdued Independence Day celebrations involving about 500 officials in a 35,000-capacity stadium.

Siugh appealed for popular support for the fight against militants, comparing the struggle to that of Vietnam during years of warfare and the long siege of Leningrad by German forces dur-

ing World War II.
"Today, the country faces a second battle for independence," he said, adding that violence threatened the country's demo-

cratic system. Singh also appealed for an end to sometimes violent protests against his controversial decision to lift the proportion of government jobs reserved for low caste, outcaste and tribal people from about 22 per cent to more than 40

The dissidents eventually aban-

doned plans to drive to Panmun-

jom, a militarily controlled des-

tination denied to them in any

But hundreds of students

But mutual mistrust has kept

the 255-kilometre heavily forti-

fied border as tightly closed as it

has been since the end of the

"Even after the landslide vic-

election of the National League

for Democracy, the military gov-

ernment led by Gen. Saw Manng

has maintained its hold on power

and has continued to commit

gross human rights violations,"

"Thousands of political prison-

ers are believed to remain in

custody and at least two dissi-

dents, Min Thein and Kyan Moe

Thant, have died since May

either in custody or in suspicious

circumstances shortly after re-

Some have been detained with-

out charge by the Directorate of

Defence Services Intelligence.

it convenes in September.

Various states on the 15-mem-

ber Council praised Liechtenstein

as a progressive, peaceloving

the 160th member of the world

body, but North and South Ye-

Last spring, Namibia became

the report said.

1950-53 Korean War.

day, witnesses said.

#### American senators want free "Those who have got nothing elections in so far have to be given something, or the tears of the poor can Pakistan turn into swords of fire which can

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — A dozen senators have asked President George Bush to condi-tion future U.S. aid to Pakistan dispute, Singh Wednesday indion the holding of free, open elections within the next 90 days. Prime Minister Benazir Bhut-

bring down the palaces of gold,"

New missile tested

cated he was willing to die at the

major clash took place.

he called a medium-range sur-

face-to-air missile called Alcash,

which means sky in the ancient

Sanskrit language. He did not say when it was fired.

able of intercepting and des-

troying high-and low-flying air-

craft. United News of India said

the missile has a range of about

It was fired from the test range

at Chandipur in Orissa state, ab-

out 1,200 kilometres southeast of.

India, which has the stomic

bomb, has test-fired four other

missiles. In May 1989, its scien-

tists fired a surface-to-surface bal-

listic missile with a range of 2,400

99 killed in

S. African

violence

IOHANNESBURG (R) -- The

black

24 kilometres.

New Delhi.

Defence experts said it is cap-

new missile.

Heating up a simmering border

Pakistani frontier and announced to's government, which has been that India successfully test-fired a plagued by charges of corruption, was dissolved by the country's "I am ready to go to the border myself. It is better to die on the president. The move on Aug. 6 border than to see from New ended the 20-month rule of the first woman ever to lead the Delhi the violations of our frontier," Singh said. On Monday, Pakistan said its

government of a Muslim nation. New elections have been schearmed forces repulsed an Indian duled for Oct. 24, and Bbutto has attack a day earlier along the vowed to seek to return to office. ceasefire line in the disputed state of Kashmir. India denied any She charged that her dismissal provided for under the country's constitution, was improperly en-Singh said India test-fired what

gineered by the military.

Pakistan is receiving \$582 million in U.S. aid this year, the bulk of it military and security assistance. A State Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the United States assumes that elections will be held as planned and be free and

We assume that the commit ments made by the government will come about, and that international observers will be allowed' for the elections, the official said.

The senators, led by Sen. Edward Kennedy, said Bhutto's dismissal was "an extraordinarily high-handed intervention against a democratically elected govern-

ment. Taken with the army's seizure of the state-owned television station and telephone system and a declaration of a state of emergency, the developments "belie claims of a democratic, civilian transfer of power," the group WTODE.

The group said free elections, open for full participation by Bhutto and others and free from intimidation, are essential to future good relations with the United States.

"United States aid to Pakistan should be conditioned on a clear commitment by the leaders of that nation to respect the principles of democracy," the senators

Others signing the letter included Sens. Nancy Kassebaum, Mark Hatfield, Claiborne Pell. Paul Simon, John Kerry, Paul Sarbanes, Bill Bradley, Dennis Deconcini, Tom Harkin, Brock Adams and Alan Cranston. Meanwhile Pakistan's caretak-

er prime minister, Ghalam Mustafa Jatoi, vowed Tuesday that elections promised for October would not be delayed by probes into corruption charges against Bhutto's sacked government.

Many Pakistanis are cynical of promises by Jatoi and President Ghulam Ishaq Khan to hold elections on Oct. 24.

But Jatoi, in an Independence Day speech on television justifying his takeover, said: "I want to make it clear that elections will not be delayed by accounta-After Ishaq Khan dismissed

Bhutto's government last week, Jatoi accused it of being the most corrupt in Pakistan's 43-year history and said nobody suspected of abuses would escape. "When we took control of gov-

ernment offices we found burned records." he said Tuesday. "Despite that a lot of proofs of corruption are available." At an Independence Day re-

ception in Rawalpindi he told reporters special tribunals were almost ready to start work after corruption allegations had been But he said Benazir Bhutto was

free to go to London.

### East German CDU suspends top official in Stasi scandal

many's governing Christian German weekly magazine Stern Democrats suspended their party manager Wednesday after reports be had been an informer for the former Communist security

police for at least 15 years. Martin Kirchner, general secretary in the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) led by Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, was on holiday and could not be reached for comment.

Deputy CDU Chairman Horst Korbella said in a statement that Kirchner was being relieved of party duties pending "clarification of the accusations against him."

said Kirchner was one of the most important informers for the Stasi security police before the Stalinist regime was toppled by a prodemocracy uprising late last year.

Stern quoted three former Stasi agents as saying Kirchner, pre-viously a prominent Protestant Church official in the southwestera Thuringia region, was a longtime paid informer for the dreaded Security Ministry.

The East German church harboured human rights activists who spearheaded last year's popular

The East German CDU was a

Earlier Wednesday, the West Communit satellite party for 40 years but after the 1989 uprising it reeded out leading Stalinist collaborators in favour of democratic reformers and wound up winning East Germany's first free elections in March.

> "The CDU... acknowledges the accusations against Mr. Kirchner with great concern. He is suspended from his office as general secretary with immediate effect pending clarification of the accusations against him," Korbella

He said Kirchner was on a camping holiday abroad and the accusations.

could not he located to answer

#### 24 rebels, 9 troops die in Sri Lankan clashes

COLOMBO (AP) - Naval boats have destroyed four dinghies ferrying Tamil Tiger rebels, killing 24 guerrillas, and the rebels Wednesday fatally shot nine soldiers, military officials said.

The government, meanwhile, denied reports that between 75 to 85 Tamil civilians were killed by unidentified attackers in eastern

Sri Lanka Monday.
"Nothing like that happened," said Brigadier Upah Seneviratne, the top military officer in eastern Batticaloa district. This area is under my command and I should

The independent Sun newspap-

MOSCOW (R) - President

Mikhail Gorbachev restored

Soviet citizenship Wednesday to

The Soviet News Agency

(TASS) said Gorbachev had

lifted government orders issued

from 1966 to 1988 stripping "a

number of individuals" of their

It did not name the people this

affected but said the Foreign

Ministry would inform them of

Many outstanding musicians,

academics and writers, including

author Alexander Solzhenitsyn

and Nobel prizewinner Josef

Brodsky, were banished and

stripped of their citizenship for

Thousands more automatically

lost their citizenship and their

right to visit their families after

On Monday, Gorbachev ordered the rehabilitation of mil-

lions killed and jailed under dic-

tator Josef Stalin in a chain of

LIMA, Peru (AP) - Police

blame pro-Cuban rebels for a car

bomb explosion near the govern-

ment palace that injured four

President Alberto Fujimori

was meeting with advisers when

the bomb went off late Monday.

The explosion shattered windows

in the residential area of the

building, blew a metre-wide cra-

ter in the sidewalk and knocked

small chunks of concrete from the

Police blamed the attack on the

pro-Cuban Tupac Amaru Re-

volutionary Movement. They

said the car contained 22 pounds

Tupac Amaru rebels had fired

two grenades at the palace on

July 27, the night before Fujimori

(10 kilograms) of dynamite.

passersby.

leaving the country illegally.

criticising the Kremlin.

people exiled since 1966.

citizenship.

the decisions.

er quoting unidentified sources said the alleged massacre was in revenge for the deaths of more than 100 Muslims in the town of Eravua Sunday.

In the north east, government's naval boats Tuesday intercepted four dinghies carrying Tamil rebels. The officials said three boats were blown up near Muttur in Trincomalee killing 18 guerrillas. Six more rebels were killed in a similar operation at Point Pedro in Jaffna peninsula.

The rebels, battling for an independent homeland in the island nation, killed nine government soldiers in the north east, said the

after wave of professional and

ethnic groups found themselves

targets of Stalin's persecution --

farmers, engineers, priests, scien-

Moscow by publishing books such as the Gulag Archipelago and First Circle which documented

At its recent congress, however, the Communist Party rejected

proposals for a formal declaration

of guilt and responsibility for

crimes committed since the 1917

revolution. Delegates argued that

today's Communists could not be

Where official accounts in the

1960s and 1970s of the Stalin

period spoke of "mistakes" and

denounced the dictator and

allowed the excavation of mass

graves of his victims throughout

But Gorbachev, who joined

the party in 1952, a year before

Stalin's death, has stopped short

Peru's Andean Mountains 565

kilometres south east of Lima,

The bomb exploded in front of

an army barracks, one block from

a leading tourist hotel. No tour-

ists were hurt in the explosion,

though four soldiers were among

Police said the attack was prob-

The Shining Path rebels ex-

ploded 22 pounds (10 kilograms)

of dynamite before dawn Tues-

day in a car in the centre of

Ayacucho, a highland city 375

kilometres south east of Lima,

No one was injured in the

blast, which broke windows and

damaged buildings. Two other

bombs exploded in Ayacucho

in recent days, Shining Path re-

bels killed a student and a farmer

in separate attacks, police said.

three village officials near the city

Shining Path rehels also killed

In other violence in Ayacucho

earlier Tuesday, police said.

ably carried out by the Maoist

Shining Path rebel movement.

the wounded, police said.

'errors", Gorbachev has fiercely

held responsible for the past.

Solzhenitsyn drew the anger of

Moscow restores citizenship to exiles

tists, even Stalin's albes.

life in the camps.

the country.

4 injured in Peru attack

police said.

police said.

camps known as the Gulag. Wave of a direct formal apology in the

military officials, who cannot be identified under standing briefing regulations.

Tamil separatists, seeking an independent nation, resumed fighting the Sinhalese-dominated government on June 11, breaking a 13-month ceasefire.

At least 3,350 combatants have been killed since June. Hundreds of civilians have also been killed. Tamils, who are mainly Hindu.

say they are discriminated against by the majority Sinhalese Buddhists. Tamils make up 18 per cent of Sri Lanka's 16 million people. Sinhalese are 75 per cent and Muslims are 7 per cent.

name of the party.
Radicals also criticise him for

failing to raise the question of

millions summarily executed by

the Cheka secret police or jailed

during the early years of the revolution while Bolshevik leader

Vladimir Lenin was still alive.

Gorbachev's latest decree,

however, could help thousands of

people still isolated from their

families after leaving the country.

Under Leonid Brezhnev, they

were tarred as traitors and merce-

The parliamentary journal In-

formation Bulletin of the Soviet

Parliament formally announced

been restored to Alexander Zino-

Wednesday that citizenship had

viev, writer of satirical novels

such as Yawning Heights, which

lambasted totalitarian thinking in

Parliament also returned

Medvedev, who is now living in

Both decisions had already

The rebels staged a trial of the

three men in the plaza of a small

village and then killed them each

The military communique

issued Tuesday said clashes be-

tween a Peruvian army patrol and

leftist guerrillas left three soldiers

and 40 guerrillas dead, a military

communique said Tuesday night:

fighting took place on Aug. 2 in

the coca-rich Upper Huallaga

Valley, 500 kilometres northeast

More than 19,000 people have

died in political violence in Peru

U.N. chief in Peru

U.N. Secretary General Javier

Perez de Cuellar arrived here

Tuesday to discuss a possible

emergency food aid programme

to help ease Peru's economic

Perez de Cuellar, who is Peru-

vian, was greeted by President

Alberto Fujimori and other Peru-

vian leaders after landing at an air

in the past 10 years.

The communique said the

with a shot to the head.

been reported in the press.

the Soviet Union.

London.

climbers.

of Lima.

naries by the Soviet press.

#### with \$333,000 from Greek bank

CORFU. Greece (AP) - Seven

#### iragi circus performer joins the army

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) - An Iraqi circus performer his French troupe to join the Iraqi army, the circus director said. Zanouk Al Habib, 23, returned home because he was worried about his family and wished to Bagbdad. Zanouk is 2.06 metres

### Schwarzenegger

NEW YORK (AP) - Arnold Schwarzenegger says he never realised how much joy father-hood would bring. "The kid is fantastic, just fantastic. . . I sometimes even change dispers, but let's put it this way: I don't stand in line for it," the bodybuilder turned movie star said in the September issue of Redbook. His daughter, Katherine Eunice Schwarzenegger, was born in De-cember. His wife, Maria Shriver, announced in April that she would not return to her job as weekend anchor of the NBC news show Sunday Today. The star of Total Recall and Twins said he and Shriver, a niece of President John F. Kennedy, both

since there will obviously be more than just one - is raised the same

forward, "people in Japan's for-forward, "people in Japan's for-mer colonies remain strongly dis-on the wall in the week satisfied with the passive posture lary at the home of Ge

# COLUMN

#### No measurement needed for Miss Italy contestants

ROME (AP)— The winner of

this year's Miss Italy pageant will have to cut a "bella figura" but she won't have to reveal her bust, waist and hip measurements, pageent organisers said Tuesday. Insteed the major emphasis in this year's pageant will be on such inner qualities as intelligence, culture, class and the way the contestants carry themselves -those hard to measure qualities that make up the Italian idea of a hella figura. Organizer Euzo Miragliani said the change was suggested by last year's judge, Italian TV personality Manrizio Coastanzo, who will also head this year's jury that will consist of former contestants. Miragliani also said there were more than 30,000 applicants for the pageant that culminates with a national telecast on Sept. 1. However, he said that number included many 14- and 15-year-old girls who are too young for the pageant. A contestant must have reached age 16 by the end of May. The 60 finalists will be chosen during an Aug. 24-26 preliminary competition with the finals scheduled for Ang. 28-Sept. 1.

## Robbers make off

armed robbers stormed a bank on this popular tourist island Tuesday, fired in the air, disarmed its guard, and stole over 50 million drachmas (\$333,000) before disappearing. Police said they believed that the hooded men may have been foreigners as they were careful not to speak during the robbery. Coast guard vessels were cruising off the western island's coast, which is across the Adriatic Sea from Italy, an officer said. Airport and harbour officials were also on the lookout for the robbers, he said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

citizenship to academic Zhores whose specialty is pulling out car.
engines with his bare hands left fight if Iraq went to war, said Pierro Bidon, director of the Archaos Circus. Bidon said Zanouk left on Aug. 7. He did not know if the Iraqi national had been reunited with his mother and three sisters, who live near and weighs 170 kilogrammes. Bidon said he hired Zanouk after watching him destroy the interior of a bar in Barcelona, Spain. The director said Zanouk worked as a merchant seaman before joining the circus, based in southern

### enjoys fatherhood

confront the issue of Japan's war responsibilities when South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo said that as a condition for his visiting Tokyo be wanted a formal apology for Japan's cruel colonial rule over the Korean peninsula from 1910-45.

In Jakarta last month, Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama had to make sure our kid—or kids, since there will obviously be more

Burgiar leaves all but kitchen sink

and Japanese "tend to forget the aid Japanese "tend to forget the lact that their military forces killed humans and disrapted lives in but the himself in morthwestern killed in the statistics and double-basined sink valued in the macket hurts. that it Brooks Brooks said the their left left him with "a sinking feeling."

#### Kaifu vows Japan will never repeat war mistakes TOKYO (R) - Japan's prime bedecked altar against the backdeaths of at least 20 million peo-

minister, in a ceremony marking the end of World War II 45 years ago, said Wednesday his country had renounced militarism and would never again wage destructive war.

"We will never repeat the catastrophes of war and each of us has been given the important duty of helping establish lasting peace," Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu said solemnly at the annual war memorial service at Tokyo's sprawling martial arts hall.

Kaifu's remark is the latest in a recent series by Japanese leaders' trying to appears neighbouring Asian countries where the mentory of Japan's brutal military policies still lingers.

The lessons learned from the

pest war are deeply engraved in our memory," Kaife said. He added Japan "will strive to establish world peace and to integrate with the world community. Kaifu and Emperor Akihito

Waz II victims from a flower-

13 of Japan's 21 cabinet ministers paid visits to the Yasakani Shrine. Japan's main monument to its war dead and a symbol of Japanese militarism for China, South Korea and other countries. A total of 18 cabinet members were expected to visit during the.

day, well over last year's total of 14 who paid their respects to the World War II Class-A criminals and some 2.6 million war dead. enshrined there as spirits.

image as a pacifist during his one year as premier, said he would not visit Yasukuni this year in respect for Japan's Asian neigh-

1985, visit to Yasukuni by then

Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, and all succeeding premiers have avoided paying calls there. Some war veterans at the

memorial service said Japan still had a debt to repay to East and South East Asia, which Japanese troops took over prior to and during the last war in a push to build an Asian empire. "We created many difficulties

for those Asian countries and we have yet to settle the issue," said Riichi Yamazaki, 64, from the southern island Kyushn. "The trnth about what

Japanese troops did in Korea, China and other places is just coming out now," said Touble Terashima, 77, from western: Japan. "We've been covering it en for so long." Socialist Party leader Takako!

Doi, attending a separate memo-rial service in Tokyo, condemned Japan for what she called its sacre of Asians. "During the 15 years Japan"

fought in Asia it lost three million lives. But, at the same time, its invasion of Asia caused the

ple," Doi said. Last May Kaifu was forced to

force base in Lima.

confront the issue of Japan's war

meeting there that Japan would never again take up arms and that it regretted the damage it had

The leading daily Asahi Shim-bun, in its editorial Wednesday.

Japan takes to stone for what i

#### men merged, leaving the net-membership at 159 before Liechkilometres in size. It is a wealthy state with major banks and a per tenstein's application. China, the U.N.'s most popucapita income of about \$15,000 lous member with more than yearly. The U.N. charter requires that a state may be admitted to U.N. membership with the recommendation of the Security Councit and a two-thirds vote of the 159-nation General Assembly. The General Assembly is expected to unanimously approve

1,000 million inhabitants, said it had friendly relations with Liechtenstein and enjoyed growing political, economic and cultural "We are convinced that Sino-

Liechtenstein relations will continue to expand in future," the Chinese representative said.

fought hit-and-run battles with death toll in fighting between police throughout the capital all rival black groups in townships east of Johannesburg has risen to 99, police said Wednesday. Despite their inability to reach Police Cpt. Eugene Opperman said at least 99 blacks had been the border, the dissidents claimed at least a moral victory and said they would now turn their enerkilled in clashes which began gies to political issues. Sunday and intensified Tuesday The unification movement is

and Wednesday. The fighting has developed into no longer a movement supported the biggest single outbreak of only by students and youth but a goal for most sectors of society," mass township violence in recent Kim Kwe-Sang, a spokesman for the Chonminyon dissident coaliyears, the South African Press Association reported. tion, told reporters.

About 90 people were treated The clashes punctuated the 45th anniversary of Korea's lisaid state-run South African beration from Japanese colonial Broadcasting Corp. radio. Hospitrule and marked a week procal soperintendent Norman laimed last month by South Ko-Kernes said most of the injuries rean President Roll Tac-Woo as were caused by pangas (macheteone of unrestricted cross-border like weapons) and blunt instrutravel at Panmunion.

> 'Opperman said a policeman had sustained shrapnel wounds after a hand grenade was hurled at police by an unidentified man. He said police had been fired upon on several occasions. A man was wounded when police returned his fire.

The Press Association reported that police and troops were battling to keep apart the warring factions.

Police say fighting is between Xhosas and Zulus. But township residents, some of those involved in the fighting and press reports claim the clashes are between supporters of the conservative Zulu-based Inkatha organisation and the African National Con-

Crossroads squatter camp near Katlehong township was in flames Wednesday, and charred bodies were being removed from gutted shacks by mid-morning. Police moved from shack to

shack searching for the dead and injured. The violence between residents of different black workers' bostels began in Thokoza township Sunday and spread Tuesday night

to neighbouring townships of Katlehong and Vosloorus. Television crews on the scene Wednesday morning said the fighting was apparently between a pre-dominantly Xhosa-speaking group and Zulus. Some of the Xhosa-speaking men claimed that

they were fighting Inkatha. An armed Xhosa speaking man with "blood all over his shirt" told a CBS staffer that his group had just killed "eight Inkatha" and that his group had only suffered two losses.

According to a television crew

member, police fired several

rounds of tear gas in an attempt to disperse the groups. One crew member said he saw "at least three" policemen firing shotguns. He added that after firing several rounds of tear gas at one of the groups, police fired tear gas directly at a crowd of onlook. | both addressed some 7,000 elderers who scattered in all directly veterans and relatives of World

Also Monday, other car bombs exploded in the highland cities of Cuzco and Ayacucho, killing one person, police said. The attacks ended a relative full in political violence that had followed Fu-

imori's inauguration.

One man died and at least 17 people were wounded in the blast in Cuzco, a tourist centre in

#### of Huaraz, police said. Huaraz 285 kilometres north of Lima, is a popular destination for mountain

ground of a large rising sun flag.
"Again 1 feel deep sorrow for the many victims and the families of those who lost their lives in the past war," Akihito said. "1 pray for the further development of our nation and for world peace." Prior to the memorial service,

Kaife, who has cultivated an:

China and other countries strongly condemned an Aug. 15,"